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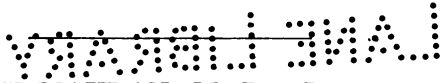
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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, PROVIDENCE, }
March 24, 1869. }

To the Honorable the General Assembly :

GENTLEMEN :—The Fifteenth Annual Report upon the Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths in the State of Rhode Island, contains the statistics for the year ending December 31, 1867, together with the usual and some additional comments and recapitulatory tables.

During that year, the number of births reported in the State, was 5,127, or 225 more than in any previous year; the number of marriages was 2,344, or 26 more than in any previous year; the number of deaths was 2,889, or 516 less than in 1865, when the number was greater than in any other year.

During the fifteen years and seven months, since the beginning of the present system of registration, from June 1, 1852 to December 31, 1867, the records in the whole State have been as follows: children born, 58,773; persons married, 49,286; persons died, 38,760; showing in the aggregate, a record of the birth, marriage, or death of 146,819 persons. A copy of all these records, with an accurate index of all the names, is kept in the office of the Secretary of State and makes an invaluable addition to the vital and genealogical history of the population. It is a question worthy of consideration, whether it is not best to print the index of names from time to time, and thus perpetuate it and make it convenient for reference in all parts of the State.

The registration is not yet perfect in all the towns of the State, though there is generally a steady improvement from year to year. Thus far it has never been found necessary to prosecute any person in connection with this subject. An appeal to the good sense of all concerned, with a statement of the importance of the subject have been thus far sufficient.

The tables for the present report were all prepared early in the fall of last year, and it was intended to have the report ready in print at the beginning of the present session of the General Assembly; but the fire in the office of the State Printers, destroying a portion of the tables and stopping the printing to the present time, has not only made additional expense in the preparation of the report; but has also postponed its completion, probably until May or June.

JOHN R. BARTLETT,

Secretary of State.

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Owing to the cause named in the letter of the Secretary of State, the printing of this Report was not completed until this date, November 10, 1869.

In table VIII, on page 17, the number of male decedents from cholera infantum, in the month of September, should be 14 instead of 41. The number of female decedents from croup, in the same month should be one instead of 2.

On page 43 the number of deaths from cholera infantum was corrected in accordance with the above. The statement on the 18th line from the top, should be "in this year also it occurred in August."

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* Population included in Cumberland.

TABLE II. BIRTHS, 1867.

Arranged by months, sexes, and divisions of the State.

MONTHS.	SEX.	Whole Number.	DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.					
			Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport County.	Providence Co.: Towns.	Providence City.	Washington Co.
January....	Males....	209	11	16	26	72	63	21
	Females.....	220	7	17	18	74	78	26
	Not stated....	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
	Total.....	430	18	33	44	147	141	47
February...	Males....	209	9	9	16	88	67	20
	Females.....	193	8	20	11	66	64	24
	Not stated....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Total....	402	17	29	27	154	131	44
March.....	Males.....	229	8	15	24	91	69	22
	Females.....	200	9	11	18	80	60	22
	Not stated....	2	..	..	..	2	..	..
	Total.....	431	17	26	42	173	129	44
April....	Males.....	183	6	13	14	66	66	18
	Females.....	164	8	7	12	65	56	16
	Not stated....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Total.....	347	14	20	26	131	122	34
May.....	Males.....	224	8	14	24	72	80	26
	Females.....	208	4	16	25	90	57	16
	Not stated....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Total.....	432	12	30	49	162	137	42
June.....	Males....	214	10	10	18	67	80	29
	Females.....	198	6	18	18	75	67	14
	Not stated....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Total.....	412	16	28	36	142	147	43
July.....	Males.....	209	10	13	15	88	67	16
	Females....	195	9	14	13	81	62	16
	Not stated....	2	1	..	..	1	..	..
	Total.....	406	20	27	28	170	129	32

TABLE II. BIRTHS. 1867.—CONTINUED.

MONTHS.	SEX.	Whole Number.	DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.					
			Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport County.	Providence Co.: Towns.	Providence City.	Washington Co.
August....	Males.....	223	9	24	18	80	64	28
	Females.....	197	6	12	19	79	65	16
	Not stated....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Total.....	420	15	36	37	159	129	44
September..	Males.....	215	8	14	23	88	60	22
	Females.....	194	10	13	20	75	65	11
	Not stated....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Total	409	18	27	43	163	125	33
October....	Males.....	248	10	14	27	112	65	20
	Females.....	233	8	18	18	90	74	25
	Not stated....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Total	481	18	32	45	202	139	45
November..	Males.....	211	12	11	24	78	68	18
	Females.....	215	9	17	17	83	72	17
	Not stated....	3	..	1	2	..	..	..
	Total.....	429	21	29	43	161	140	35
December...	Males.....	281	11	20	22	128	81	19
	Females.....	247	13	13	24	111	74	12
	Not stated....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Total.....	528	24	33	46	239	155	31
Aggregate..	Males	2,655	112	173	251	1,030	830	259
	Females.....	2,464	97	176	213	969	794	215
	Not stated....	8	1	1	2	4	..	..
	Total.....	5,127	210	350	466	2,003	1,624	474

TABLE III. PLURALITY BIRTHS, 1867.

Arranged by months, and divisions of the State, and showing the nativity of the Parents.

MONTHS.	No. of Cases.	SEX.	No. of Children.	Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport Co.	Providence Co.	Providence Towns.	Providence City.	Washington Co.	NATIVITY OF PARENTS.										Br. Am. father.	Am. mother.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																								
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January	6	Males, 3 Females, 3	9	1	1	1	2	2	4	1	1

*There were two cases of triplets in Providence, one in October and one in November.

TABLE IV. MARRIAGES, 1867.

Arranged by Months, and Divisions of the State.

MONTHS.	Whole Number in whole State; 1867.	DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.						Whole Number in 1866.
		Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport Co.	Providence Co. Towns.	Providence City.	Washington County.	
January.....	191	12	5	22	73	63	16	217
February.....	199	2	11	19	67	80	20	160
March.....	179	2	14	9	76	54	24	115
First Quarter.....	569	16	30	50	216	197	60	492
April.....	163	10	18	15	50	54	16	161
May.....	218	11	16	20	82	76	13	220
June.....	209	10	14	11	83	75	16	207
Second Quarter.....	590	31	48	46	215	205	45	588
July.....	165	6	10	13	71	62	3	195
August.....	148	5	12	13	48	56	14	152
September.. ..	188	2	22	17	55	77	15	205
Third Quarter.....	501	13	44	43	174	195	32	552
October	201	9	8	22	64	86	12	214
November.....	272	9	19	26	92	100	26	271
December.....	211	7	16	25	58	72	33	201
Fourth Quarter.....	684	25	43	73	214	258	71	686
Whole Year.....	2,344	85	165	212	819	855	208	2,318

TABLE V. AGES OF PERSONS MARRIED. 1867.

AGES OF MEN.	AGES OF WOMEN.												Whole Number of Males.
	Under 20.	20 to 25.	25 to 30.	30 to 35.	35 to 40.	40 to 45.	45 to 50.	50 to 55.	55 to 60.	60 to 65.	65 to 70.	Not stated.	
Under 20.....	79	20	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	101
20 and under 25....	369	461	91	15	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	939
25 “ “ 30.....	103	324	183	34	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	652
30 “ “ 35.....	28	94	83	35	13	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	259
35 “ “ 40.....	10	26	40	31	15	10	1	..	..	..	..	..	133
40 “ “ 45...	4	15	26	23	15	10	2	1	..	..	..	..	96
45 “ “ 50.....	1	3	18	10	12	9	4	4	3	..	..	..	64
50 “ “ 55.....	1	1	4	4	8	7	4	5	..	..	..	..	34
55 “ “ 60.....	...	2	4	1	3	4	6	1	3	2	..	..	26
60 “ “ 65.....	...	...	...	1	3	3	3	1	1	..	..	..	12
65 “ “ 70.....	...	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	1	2	..	16
70 “ “ 75.....	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	5
75 “ “ 80.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	..	..	3
80 “ “ 85.....	..	...	...	...	...	...	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Not stated.....	...	...	...	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3
Whole No. Females...	595	947	452	157	78	52	27	14	11	6	2	3	2,344

TABLE VI. DEATHS, 1867.

Arranged by months, sexes, and divisions of the State.

MONTHS.	SEX.	Number in whole State. 1867.	DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.					
			Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport Co.	Providence Co.: Towns.	Providence City	Washington County.
January.....	Males... ..	112	4	7	13	46	36	6
	Females.....	134	5	9	19	42	53	6
	Totals.....	246	9	16	32	88	89	12
February.....	Males.....	104	4	4	12	34	41	9
	Females.....	114	7	8	8	41	35	15
	Totals.....	218	11	12	20	75	76	24
March	Males.....	140	8	16	13	47	46	10
	Females.....	126	3	10	17	39	47	10
	Totals.....	266	11	26	30	86	93	20
April.....	Males.....	96	4	9	8	30	35	10
	Females.....	122	9	6	11	43	42	11
	Totals.....	218	13	15	19	73	77	21
May.....	Males.....	90	5	2	9	33	29	12
	Females.....	94	1	8	7	34	35	9
	Totals.....	184	6	10	16	67	64	21
June.....	Males.....	92	3	8	13	26	31	11
	Females.....	83	3	9	5	31	30	5
	Totals.....	175	6	17	18	57	61	16
July.....	Males.....	126	8	10	5	54	40	9
	Females.....	123	6	11	10	41	45	10
	Totals.....	249	14	21	15	95	85	19
August... ..	Males.....	180	9	21	17	67	59	7
	Females.....	125	5	6	18	43	49	4
	Totals.....	305	14	27	35	110	108	11
September....	Males.....	132	9	7	22	43	42	9
	Females.....	166	11	16	23	58	51	7
	Totals.....	298	20	23	45	101	93	16
October.....	Males.....	127	7	13	17	43	34	13
	Females.....	124	4	10	21	45	39	5
	Totals.....	251	11	23	38	88	73	18
November ..	Males.....	102	7	7	8	48	28	4
	Females.....	110	7	10	11	43	37	2
	Totals.....	212	14	17	19	91	65	6
December....	Males.....	141	8	13	13	54	44	9
	Females.....	126	7	11	11	57	32	8
	Totals.....	267	15	24	24	111	76	17
Aggregate....	Males.....	1,442	76	117	150	525	465	109
	Females.....	1,447	68	114	161	517	495	92
	Totals.....	2,889	144	231	311	1,042	960	201

TABLE VII. DEATHS. 1867.

Showing the number of each sex in each period of life, in every town

TOWNS AND DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.	POPULATION, 1865.			DEATHS, 1867.			Under 1.	1 to 2.	2 to 3.
	Whole Number.	SEX.	Per cent. to pop.	Whole Number.	Sex.				
Barrington	1,028	Males, 582 Females 446	1.07	11	6 5	..	1	..	
Bristol	4,649	Males, 2,132 Females 2,517	1.94	90	45 45	11	1	1	
Warren	2,792	Males, 1,250 Females 1,542	1.54	43	25 18	2	1	..	
BRISTOL COUNTY..	8,469	Males, 3,964 Females 4,505	1.70	144	76 68	13	3	1	
Coventry	3,995	Males, 1,870 Females 2,125	1.63	65	31 34	5	1	..	
East Greenwich...	2,400	Males, 1,139 Females 1,261	1.29	31	18 13	3	1	2	
West Greenwich...	1,228	Males, 641 Females 587	1.95	24	12 12	..	..	..
Warwick	7,696	Males, 3,611 Females 4,085	1.44	111	56 55	8	1	..	
KENT COUNTY....	15,319	Males, 7,261 Females 8,058	1.51	231	117 114	16	3	2	
Jamestown	349	Males, 179 Females 170	0.86	3	2 1	..	..	1
Little Compton...	1,197	Males, 574 Females 623	1.50	18	9 9	..	..	1
Middletown	1,019	Males, 513 Females 506	0.79	8	5 3	1	..	..
Newport	12,688	Males, 6,002 Females 6,686	1.69	214	102 112	29	11	1	
New Shoreham...	1,308	Males, 662 Females 646	1.38	18	8 10	1	1	..	
Portsmouth... ..	2,153	Males, 1,119 Females 1,034	1.16	25	12 13	2	1	..	
Tiverton	1,973	Males, 967 Females 1,006	1.27	25	12 13	..	..	..
NEWPORT COUNTY.	20,687	Males, 10,016 Females 10,671	1.50	311	150 161	33	13	3	

TABLE VII. DEATHS. 1867.

and division of the State; also the ratio of Deaths to population.

3 to 4.	4 to 5.	5 to 10.	10 to 15.	15 to 20.	20 to 30.	30 to 40.	40 to 50.	50 to 60.	60 to 70.	70 to 80.	80 to 90.	90 and over.	Not stated.
..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	1
..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..
..	..	4	..	2	2	4	3	2	3	5	6	1	..
..	1	2	2	1	8	2	4	4	4	4	4	1	..
..	..	1	1	4	4	2	1	3	1	2	2	1	..
..	..	..	..	..	4	1	1	1	1	3	5	..	..
..	..	5	2	6	6	7	5	5	4	7	9	2	1
..	2	2	2	1	13	3	5	5	6	8	9	1	..
1	..	4	..	1	4	3	1	3	3	4	1	..	..
1	..	1	..	2	3	1	1	2	9	4	3	2	..
..	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	1	3	2	2	..	..
..	..	..	..	2	2	1	3	2	1	..	..	1	..
..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	..	1
1	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	1	4	..	3	..	..
..	..	3	1	1	6	6	7	3	7	6	7	..	..
..	1	1	2	3	6	7	8	7	2	5	6	1	1
1	..	7	2	2	12	13	9	8	15	14	12	..	1
2	1	2	2	9	11	10	12	12	16	9	12	4	1
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
..	..	..	1	..	1	..	2	2	1	..	1	..	..
..	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	2	..
..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..
..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
..	3	5	1	4	11	8	7	6	3	5	5	..	3
..	1	5	2	4	8	9	9	10	14	11	5	1	1
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	..	..
..	..	1	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	2	1	..	..
..	..	..	1	..	..	2	1	1	..	2	1	..	1
..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	3	1	2	..
..	..	..	..	1	2	..	3	1	..	2	3	..	..
..	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	1	2	1	3	1	..
..	3	5	3	5	15	10	14	12	7	11	12	..	4
..	1	9	3	7	12	13	11	13	20	19	10	6	1

TABLE VII. DEATHS, 1867—CONTINUED.

TOWNS AND DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.	POPULATION, 1865.			DEATHS, 1867.			Under 1.	1 to 2.	2 to 3.
	Whole Number.	SEX.		Per cent. to popu'n.	Whole Number.	Sex.			
Burrillville.	4,861	Males,	2,371	1.25	61	32	8	1	1
		Females,	2,490			29	7	5	
Cranston.	9,177	Males,	4,696	1.74	160	90	16	8	5
		Females,	4,481			70	14	5	2
Cumberland*.	8,216	Males,	3,882	2.00	40	22	3	2	..
		Females,	4,334			18	2	..	..
East Providence...	2,172	Males,	1,050	1.88	41	23	4	3	..
		Females,	1,122			18	..	2	..
Foster.	1,873	Males,	922	0.91	17	10	1	..	..
		Females,	951			7	..	..	..
Glocester.	2,286	Males,	1,168	0.92	21	9	2	1	..
		Females,	1,118			12	..	..	..
Johnston.	3,436	Males,	1,755	1.57	54	30	4	2	..
		Females,	1,681			24	6	..	..
North Providence..	14,553	Males,	7,023	1.46	212	97	24	8	2
		Females,	7,530			115	19	19	3
Pawtucket.	5,000	Males,	2,356	1.66	83	48	13	3	3
		Females,	2,644			35	6	3	..
Scituate.	3,538	Males,	1,735	1.13	40	20	1	..	..
		Females,	1,803			20	1	1	1
Smithfield.	12,315	Males,	5,835	1.53	189	87	18	11	2
		Females,	6,480			102	9	8	5
Woonsocket*. ....	.....	Males,	.....		124	57	20	6	2
		Females,	.....			67	15	6	3
PROV. CO. TOWNS.	67,427	Males,	32,793	1.55	1042	525	114	45	15
		Females,	34,634			517	79	49	14
PROVIDENCE CITY.	54,595	Males,	25,219	1.76	960	465	102	19	17
		Females,	29,376			495	80	28	15
Charlestown.	1,134	Males,	560	1.15	13	9	..	..	1
		Females,	574			4	..	..	..
Exeter.	1,498	Males,	759	0.47	7	4	..	..	..
		Females,	739			3	..	..	..
Hopkinton.	2,512	Males,	1,230	1.11	28	12	4	2	..
		Females,	1,282			16	5	..	..
North Kingstown..	3,166	Males,	1,526	1.64	52	29	5	..	..
		Females,	1,640			23	6	1	..
South Kingstown...	4,513	Males,	2,202	0.95	43	22	6	..	..
		Females,	2,311			21	2	1	1
Richmond.	1,830	Males,	857	1.42	26	16	4	..	..
		Females,	973			10	3	1	..
Westerly.	3,815	Males,	1,876	0.84	32	17	3	1	..
		Females,	1,939			15	3	..	..
WASHINGTON Co..	18,468	Males,	9,010	1.09	201	109	22	3	1
		Females,	9,458			92	19	3	1

*In the population, and percentage of deaths to population, Woonsocket is included in Cumberland.

TABLE VII. DEATHS, 1867—CONTINUED.

3 to 4.	4 to 5.	5 to 10.	10 to 15.	15 to 20.	20 to 30.	30 to 40.	40 to 50.	50 to 60.	60 to 70.	70 to 80.	80 to 90.	90 and over.	Not stated.
...	1	...	1	...	3	3	...	1	5	4	4	...	...
1	1	...	...	2	3	2	2	1	...	3	1	...	...
3	2	4	3	1	12	13	5	6	5	6	1	...	...
2	2	3	1	4	5	4	7	7	9	4	1	...	...
1	...	1	...	...	2	2	4	1	4	...	1	...	1
...	...	2	...	...	4	2	2	...	1	3	1	...	1
...	...	...	1	...	...	2	1	3	3	3	1	1	1
...	...	...	...	1	1	2	...	1	3	4	4	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	2	3	...	...	...
...	...	1	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	2	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	1	1	...
...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	1	...	3	1	2	1
1	...	1	...	...	3	4	3	5	5	1	...	...	1
...	...	2	...	...	3	1	...	1	4	3	1	...	2
3	...	...	3	1	10	14	6	6	13	5	...	2	...
...	...	3	2	8	16	9	8	11	9	5	2	1	...
2	...	1	1	1	6	2	3	4	3	3	2	1	...
...	...	1	1	1	3	3	...	7	5	4	...	1	...
1	...	...	1	1	...	...	3	3	4	...	6	...	...
1	...	1	...	...	2	...	1	4	3	1	4	...	...
1	2	3	3	1	8	7	4	5	5	14	2	1	...
3	1	9	2	4	11	10	10	8	8	7	6	1	...
...	1	...	...	5	9	4	2	3	2	2	1	...	...
2	...	1	1	2	13	7	6	3	4	3	1	...	...
12	6	10	13	10	57	52	31	37	52	43	19	6	3
9	4	23	7	23	63	43	39	44	47	40	24	5	4
...
5	7	14	6	22	62	49	39	41	37	30	14	1	...
8	3	14	8	18	69	42	43	28	50	50	30	9	...
...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	1	1	1
...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	1	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	1	1	1	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	1	3	1	1	...	...
1	...	...	...	1	2	4	...	3	8	4	1	...	...
...	...	1	...	...	2	2	1	4	4	2	...	...	...
...	1	...	2	1	2	2	...	1	2	3	1	1	...
...	1	...	...	...	4	1	...	3	2	4	1	...	1
...	...	...	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	6	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	...	...
1	...	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	...	...
...	...	2	1	...	1	2	1	1	1	...	...	1	1
2	1	...	4	4	9	8	3	9	12	20	8	2	1
...	1	3	1	3	11	7	4	10	11	10	5	1	2

TABLE VII. DEATHS, 1867—RECAPITULATION.

COUNTIES.	POPULATION, 1865.			DEATHS, 1867.					
	Whole Number.	SEX.		Per cent. to population.	Whole Number.	Sex.	Under 1.	1 to 2.	2 to 3.
BRISTOL COUNTY....	8,469	Males...	3,964	1.70	144	76	13	3	1
		Females.	4,505			68	8	2	1
KENT COUNTY... ..	15,319	Males...	7,261	1.51	231	117	16	3	2
		Females.	8,058			114	6	3	2
NEWPORT COUNTY...	20,687	Males...	10,016	1.50	311	150	33	13	3
		Females.	10,671			161	19	15	2
PROVIDENCE COUNTY.	122,022	Males...	58,012	1.64	2002	990	216	64	32
		Females.	64,010			1012	159	77	29
WASHINGTON Co....	18,468	Males...	9,010	1.09	201	109	22	3	1
		Females.	9,458			92	19	3	1
WHOLE STATE.	184,965	Males...	88,263	1.56	2889	1442	300	86	39
		Females.	96,702			1447	211	100	35

TABLE VII. DEATHS, 1867—RECAPITULATION.

3 to 4.	4 to 5.	5 to 10.	10 to 15.	15 to 20.	20 to 30.	30 to 40.	40 to 50.	50 to 60.	60 to 70.	70 to 80.	80 to 90.	90 and over.	Not stated.
....	....	5	2	6	6	7	5	5	4	7	9	2	1
....	2	2	2	1	13	3	5	5	6	8	9	1	....
1	....	7	2	2	12	13	9	8	15	14	12	...	1
2	1	2	2	9	11	10	12	12	16	9	12	4	1
....	3	5	3	5	15	10	14	12	7	11	12	...	4
..	1	9	3	7	12	13	11	13	20	19	10	6	1
17	13	24	19	32	119	101	70	78	89	73	33	7	3
17	7	37	15	41	132	85	82	72	97	90	54	14	4
2	1	....	4	4	9	8	3	9	12	20	8	2	1
....	1	3	1	3	11	7	4	10	11	10	5	1	2
20	17	41	30	49	161	139	101	112	127	125	74	11	10
19	12	53	23	61	179	118	114	112	150	136	90	26	8

TABLE VIII. CAUSES OF DEATH, 1867.

Arranged alphabetically; showing the number of each sex, who died from each cause, in each month of the year 1867.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		WHOLE YEAR.		
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Accidents, (various) ..	1	3	3				1		3	1	2		1	1	3		3		5		1	1	5		28	6	34
“ Burns and Scalds.	1			1		1	1		1	1	1		1	1	2	1						3		6	10	16	
“ Drowning.....			3				2	1	3	1	2		4		1				4					21	2	23	
“ Falls.....	2				1	1					1		2	1						1			2	10	4	14	
“ Poisoning.....													1								1			1	1	2	
“ Railroad.....	1				1		2				1										3			8		8	
Abscesses.....							2	1	1	1			1	1	2		1					1	2	3	7	15	
Anæmia.....							1							1											2	2	
Apoplexy.....	3	2	4	1	1	2	4	8	6	1	4	3	4	2	2	2	4	2	1	4	3	1	5	3	41	31	72
Asthma.....					1	1	1										1							2	2	4	
Aneurism.....																									1	1	
Bladder, Disease of..							1	1							2						1				6	1	
“ Gravel and Calc.					1				1		1						1						1		2	1	
Bones, Disease of....	1										1			1											1	1	
Brain, Congestion of..	1				3				1	1	1		1		1	2	3	1	1					9	8	17	
“ Disease of.....	1	1	2			3				1		2	1	2	4	3	1	1	1		2	1	1		11	15	26
“ Inflammation of..	1	1	4	2		2			1	4	1	1	2	2	3	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	3	4	26	26	52
Bronchitis.....	2	2	1	3	2	1			1	1	1	3					1	1	1			1	1	1	8	11	19
Cancer, (various)....				3		2	1		3	1	2			1	3	1	1	1		5	1	2	2	3	11	23	34
“ of Breast.....							1										1	1			1				5	5	
“ of Stomach.....		1					1						1	1			1	1	1						3	8	
“ of Uterus.....	1	1				1	1			2						1									11	11	

TABLE VIII. CAUSES OF DEATH, 1867—CONTINUED.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		WHOLE YEAR.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Fever, Bilious.....	1	..	..	2	..	3	..	6	2	1	..	..	4	..	1	2	..	9	..	1	..	1	..	2	5	7
" Typhoid.....	3	4	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	2	1	..	5	..	5	4	10	9	11	9	..	4	7	60	59	119
Fits .....	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	6	5	11
Gangrene .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	2
" Senilis .....	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	5
Gonorrhœa.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Heart, Diseases of...	2	6	4	5	8	2	7	2	5	7	11	1	7	4	7	3	2	3	4	4	5	4	2	66	44	110
" Hypertrophy of..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Hemorrhage	1	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	1	4
" from Lungs.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	1	4
" from Stomach...	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2
Hemorrhoids.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1
Hernia.....	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	4	2	6
Hip-Joint, Disease of	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	1
Hooping Cough.....	1	2	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	7	5	12
Homicide.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1
Hydrocephalus....	1	3	..	..	4	1	2	3	2	2	4	..	2	2	1	2	1	2	2	..	..	4	1	26	15	41
Inflammation.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Influenza	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1
Insanity	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	1	1	1	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	2	7	7	14
Intemperance.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	5
" Delirium Tremens	1	..	1	..	1	1	1	5	..	5
Intussusception.....	1	1	1	1	2

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TABLE IX. CAUSES OF DEATH, 1867—CONTINUED.

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TABLE X. CLASSIFICATION AND PERCENTAGE. 1867.

Showing what part of the mortality, in the whole State and in each division, is ascribed to each several cause and class of causes.

DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.						PERCENTAGE IN EACH DIVISION.								
Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport County.	Providence Co.; Towns.	Providence City.	Washington Co.	Percentage in the Whole State.	CAUSES OF DEATH.	Percentage in the Whole State.	Washington Co.	Providence City.	Providence Co.; Towns.	Newport County.	Kent County.	Bristol County.
144	231	311	1,042	960	201	2,889	All Causes.....	2,889	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
144	214	302	902	945	187	2,694	Specified Causes.....	2,694	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
31	37	81	203	199	26	577	I. ZYMOTIC DISEASES.....	21.42	13.90	21.06	22.50	26.82	17.29	21.53
							SPORADIC DISEASES,							
20	21	39	91	101	25	297	II. GENERAL, OR NOT LOCALIZED	11.02	13.37	10.69	10.09	12.92	9.81	13.89
21	30	42	97	149	34	373	III. NERVOUS SYSTEM.....	13.85	18.18	15.77	10.75	13.90	14.02	14.58
31	76	60	280	272	55	774	IV. RESPIRATORY SYSTEM....	28.73	29.42	28.78	31.04	19.87	35.51	21.53
4	9	7	38	49	8	115	V. CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.....	4.27	4.28	5.18	4.21	2.82	4.21	2.78
10	7	25	61	54	3	160	VI. DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.....	5.94	1.60	5.71	6.76	8.28	3.27	6.94
3	2	4	11	19	4	43	VII. URINARY SYSTEM.....	1.60	2.14	2.01	1.22	1.32	.93	2.08
1	1	2	10	4	2	20	VIII. GENERATIVE SYSTEM....	.74	1.07	.42	1.11	.66	.47	.70
.....	.....	2	7	3	1	13	IX. LOCOMOTIVE SYSTEM.....	.48	.53	.32	.78	.66	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	2	3	2	7	X. INTEGUMENTIVE SYSTEM....	.26	1.07	.32	.22	.....	.....	.....
17	23	27	57	47	17	188	XI. OLD AGE.....	6.98	9.09	4.98	6.32	8.94	10.75	11.80
6	8	13	45	45	10	127	XII. EXTERNAL CAUSES.....	4.71	5.35	4.76	5.00	4.31	3.74	4.17

TABLE X. CLASSIFICATION AND PERCENTAGE, 1867.—CONTINUED.

DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.						PERCENTAGE IN EACH DIVISION.								
Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport County.	Providence Towns.	Providence City.	Washington Co.	Percentage in the whole State.	CAUSES OF DEATH.	Whole State.	Washington County.	Providence City.	Providence Co.; Towns.	Newport County.	Kent County.	Bristol County.
1	1	5	1	1	1	.26	7 Gangrene.....	7	.26	.11	.55	1.66	.93	.70
	2		5	3		.37	10 Hemorrhage.....	10	.37	.32	.11			
			1			.04	1 Inflammation.....	1	.04					
	3	6	2	4	2	.63	17 Malformation.....	17	.63	.42	.22	1.99	1.40	
1	1	2	7	15	1	.96	26 Marasmus.....	26	.96	.53	.78	.66		.70
1		1	5	2		.33	9 Scrofula.....	9	.33	.21	.55	.33		.70
			1	9		.37	10 Tuberculosis.....	10	.37	.95	.11			
	1	2	6	6	3	.67	18 Tumor.....	18	.67	.63	.67	.66	.47	
20	21	39	91	101	25	11.02	Total.....	297	13.37	10.69	10.09	12.92	9.81	13.89
III. NERVOUS SYSTEM.														
1	9	7	18	31	6	2.67	Apoplexy.....	72	3.21	3.28	2.00	2.32	4.21	.70
3	3		2	8	1	.63	17 Brain, Congestion of.....	17	.53	.85	.22		1.40	2.08
	1		2	17	2	.96	26 Brain, Disease of.....	26	1.07	1.80	.22	.99	.47	.70
3	1	3	20	21	4	1.92	52 Brain, Inflammation of.....	52	2.14	2.22	.22	.99	.47	2.08
4	8	12	22	16	13	2.78	75 Convulsions and Fits.....	75	6.95	1.69	2.44	3.97	3.74	2.78
	1	1		2	1	.19	5 Delirium Tremens.....	5	.53	.21		.33	.47	
			1			.45	12 Epilepsy.....	12		.74	.11	.66	.47	.70
1	1	2	1	7		1.52	41 Hydrocephalus.....	41		1.80	1.55	1.99	1.87	
	4	6	14	17		.52	14 Insanity.....	14	.53	1.16			.93	
	2			11	1	.15	4 Meningitis, Cerebro-Spinal.....	4	1.60		.11			

8	6	17	18	3	52	Paralysis.....	1.92	1.60	1.91	1.89	1.99	.....	5.56
.....	2	.....	1	.....	3	Tetanus and Tris. Nascentium...	.11	.....	.11	.....	.66	.....	.....
21	30	42	97	149	373	Total.....	13.85	18.18	15.77	10.75	13.90	14.02	14.58
IV. RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.													
.....	1	.....	2	1	4	Asthma.....	.15	.....	.11	.22	.....	.47	.....
1	2	1	5	10	19	Bronchitis.....	.71	.....	1.06	.55	.33	.93	.70
18	56	47	210	189	559	Consumption.....	20.74	20.86	20.00	23.28	15.56	26.17	12.50
4	.....	.....	3	1	8	Dropsy of the Chest.....	.30	.....	.11	.33	.....	.....	2.78
.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	Laryngitis.....	.04	.....	.11	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	1	1	2	Lungs, Disease of.....	.07	.....	.11	.11	.....	.....	.....
1	2	2	6	7	23	Lungs, Congestion of.....	.86	2.67	.74	.67	.66	.93	.70
.....	5	.....	2	1	8	Pleurisy.....	.30	.....	.11	.22	.....	2.34	.....
7	10	10	50	61	149	Pneumonia.....	5.55	5.88	6.45	5.54	3.31	4.67	4.86
.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	Throat, Disease of.....	.04	.....	.....	.11	.....	.....	.....
31	76	60	280	272	774	Total.....	28.73	29.42	28.78	31.04	19.87	35.51	21.53
V. CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.													
.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	Aneurism.....	.04	.....	.....	.11	.....	.....	.....
4	9	7	37	49	114	Heart, Affections of.....	4.24	4.28	5.18	4.11	2.32	4.21	2.78
4	9	7	38	49	115	Total.....	4.27	4.28	5.18	4.21	2.32	4.21	2.78
VI. DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.													
2	1	2	3	2	11	Colic.....	.41	.53	.21	.33	.66	.47	1.39
1	2	6	15	10	34	Enteritis.....	1.26	.....	1.06	1.66	1.99	.93	.70
.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	Hemorrhoids.....	.04	.....	.....	.11	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	1	2	3	6	Hernia.....	.22	.....	.32	.22	.33	.....	.....
.....	.....	1	.....	1	2	Intussusception.....	.07	.....	.11	.....	.33	.....	.....

TABLE X. CLASSIFICATION AND PERCENTAGE, 1867.—CONTINUED.

DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.						PERCENTAGE IN EACH DIVISION.							
Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport County.	Providence Co.; Towns.	Providence City.	Washington Co.	CAUSES OF DEATH.	Percentage in the whole State.	Washington County.	Providence City.	Providence Co.; Towns.	Newport County.	Kent County.	Bristol County.
1	2	...	...	...	...	3 Jaundice.....	.11	...	...	...	...	.93	.70
3	...	3	10	17	2	35 Liver, Disease of.....	1.30	1.07	1.80	1.11	.99	...	2.08
...	...	2	2	7	...	11 Peritonitis.....	.41	...	.74	.22	.66	...	...
...	...	1	...	...	...	1 Spleen, Disease of.....	.04	...	...	...	.33	...	...
2	...	3	6	4	...	15 Stomach, Disease of.....	.55	...	.42	.67	.99	...	1.39
...	...	...	...	2	...	2 Tabes Mesenterica.....	.07	...	.21	...	...	...	...
1	...	5	16	8	...	30 Teething.....	1.11	...	.85	1.77	1.66	...	.70
...	2	...	6	...	...	8 Thrush.....	.30	...	...	.67	...	.93	...
...	...	1	...	...	...	1 Worms.....	.04	...	...	...	.33	...	...
10	7	25	61	54	3	Total.....	5.94	1.60	5.71	6.76	8.28	3.27	6.94
VII. URINARY SYSTEM.													
1	...	1	2	2	1	7 Bladder, Disease of.....	.26	.53	.21	.22	.33	...	.70
...	...	...	1	...	...	1 Diabetes.....	.04	...	...	.11	...	...	...
...	1	...	1	...	1	3 Gravel and Calculus.....	.11	.53	...	.11	...	.47	...
2	1	3	7	17	2	32 Kidneys, Disease of.....	1.19	1.07	1.80	.78	.99	.47	1.39
3	2	4	11	19	4	Total.....	1.60	2.14	2.01	1.22	1.32	.93	2.08

VIII. GENERATIVE SYSTEM.														
1	1	1	10	4	2	19	Child Birth.....	.71	1.07	.42	1.11	.33	.47	.70
.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	Uterus, Disease of .....	.04	.....	.....	.....	.33	.....	.....
1	1	2	10	4	2	20	Total.....	.74	1.07	.42	1.11	.66	.47	.70
XI. LOCOMOTIVE SYSTEM.														
.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	Bones, Disease of.....	.04	.....	.....	.11	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	Hip-Joint, Disease of.....	.04	.....	.....	.....	.33	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	4	2	1	7	Rheumatism.....	.26	.53	.21	.44	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	1	2	1	.....	4	Spine, Disease of.....	.15	.....	.11	.22	.33	.....	.....
.....	.....	2	7	3	1	13	Total.....	.48	.53	.32	.78	.66	.....	.....
X. INTEGUMENTIVE SYSTEM.														
.....	.....	.....	1	2	1	4	Skin, Diseases of.....	.15	.53	.21	.11	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	3	Ulcers.....	.11	.53	.11	.11	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	2	3	2	7	Total.....	.26	1.07	.32	.22	.....	.....	.....
17	23	27	57	47	17	188	XI. OLD AGE.	6.98	9.09	4.98	6.32	8.94	10.75	11.80
XII. EXTERNAL CAUSES.														
2	5	5	17	22	5	56	Accidents, (various).....	2.08	2.67	2.33	1.89	1.66	2.34	1.39
1	.....	1	9	4	1	16	Burns and Scalds.....	.59	.53	.42	1.00	.33	.....	.70
2	2	5	8	4	2	23	Drowning.....	.86	1.07	.42	.89	1.66	.93	1.39

TABLE X. CLASSIFICATION AND PERCENTAGE, 1867.—CONTINUED.

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TABLE XI. OCCUPATIONS AND AGES AT DEATH, 1867.

Showing the average age at death, in the several occupations, Providence city being separated from the rest of the State, and ages under twenty being excluded.

OCCUPATIONS.	WHOLE STATE.			PROVIDENCE CITY.			REST OF STATE.		
	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.
I. AGRICULTURISTS.									
Farmers.....	143	9,492	66.38	7	525	75.00	136	8,967	65.93
II. MECHANICS AND ARTISANS.									
Bakers.....	4	185	46.25	1	27	27.00	3	158	52.67
Barbers.....	6	260	43.33	5	239	47.80	1	21	21.00
Blacksmiths.....	11	466	42.36	3	125	41.67	8	341	42.63
Bleachers.....	4	139	34.75	1	23	23.00	3	116	38.67
Boiler-makers.....	2	68	34.00	..	....	....	2	68	34.00
Box-maker.....	1	41	41.00	..	....	....	1	41	41.00
Book-binder.....	1	20	20.00	1	20	20.00	..	....	....
Brakeman.....	1	36	36.00	1	36	36.00	..	....	....
Brewer.....	1	53	53.00	..	....	....	1	53	53.00
Butchers.....	4	225	56.25	2	93	46.50	2	132	66.00
Cabinet-makers.....	4	215	53.75	2	83	41.50	2	132	66.00
Calico-printers.....	2	114	57.00	1	57	57.00	1	57	57.00
Carpenters.....	34	1,799	52.91	9	458	50.89	25	1,341	53.64
Cigar-maker.....	1	32	32.00	..	....	....	1	32	32.00
Cloth-finishers.....	2	131	65.50	1	64	64.00	1	67	67.00
Coopers.....	3	246	82.00	..	....	....	3	246	82.00
Confectioner.....	1	35	35.00	1	35	35.00	..	....	....
Dyers.....	2	78	39.00	..	....	....	2	78	39.00
Engineers.....	2	80	40.00	1	46	46.00	1	34	34.00
Engravers.....	3	113	37.67	2	48	24.00	1	65	65.00
Gilder.....	1	32	32.00	1	32	32.00	..	....	....
Harness-makers.....	2	84	42.00	1	22	22.00	1	62	62.00
Jewelers.....	9	383	42.56	5	184	36.80	4	199	49.75
Machinists.....	31	1,301	41.97	11	463	42.09	20	838	41.90
Masons.....	15	923	61.53	7	420	60.00	8	503	62.88
Millers.....	3	163	54.33	..	....	....	3	163	54.33
Millwright.....	1	60	60.00	1	60	60.00	..	....	....
Moulders.....	4	166	41.50	2	99	49.50	2	67	33.50
Operatives.....	24	1,078	44.92	1	30	30.00	23	1,048	45.57

TABLE XI. OCCUPATIONS, 1867.—CONTINUED.

OCCUPATIONS.	WHOLE STATE.			PROVIDENCE CITY.			REST OF STATE.		
	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.
Overseer.....	1	69	69.00	..	....	....	1	69	69.00
Painters.....	12	466	38.83	5	250	50.00	7	216	30.86
Pattern-makers.....	2	53	26.50	2	53	26.50	..	....	....
Plumber.....	1	51	51.00	..	....	....	1	51	51.00
Printers.....	3	133	44.33	3	133	44.33	..	....	....
Sail-maker... ..	1	84	84.00	..	....	....	1	84	84.00
Silversmiths.....	2	81	40.50	2	81	40.50	..	....	....
Shoemakers.....	13	739	56.85	3	163	54.33	10	576	57.60
Stone-cutter.....	1	64	64.00	1	64	64.00	..	....	....
Tailors.....	8	428	53.50	5	268	53.60	3	160	53.33
Tinsmith.....	1	48	48.00	1	48	48.00	..	....	....
Tanners.....	3	140	46.67	..	....	....	3	140	46.67
Turner.....	1	28	28.00	..	....	....	1	28	28.00
Upholsterers.....	2	86	43.00	2	86	43.00	..	....	....
Wheelwright.....	1	58	58.00	..	....	....	1	58	58.00
Not specified.....	9	325	36.11	4	110	27.50	5	215	43.00
III. LABORERS.									
Brick-maker.....	1	22	22.00	..	....	....	1	22	22.00
Coachmen.....	2	66	33.00	2	66	33.00	..	....	....
Hostlers.....	3	106	35.33	3	106	35.33	..	....	....
Laborers.....	164	7,508	45.78	58	2,724	46.97	106	4,784	45.13
Teamsters.....	7	323	46.14	3	113	37.67	4	210	52.50
Waiters.....	5	196	39.20	4	151	37.75	1	45	45.00
IV. BUSINESS MEN.									
Apothecaries.....	2	76	38.00	2	76	38.00	..	....	....
Book-keepers.....	12	560	46.67	6	349	58.17	6	211	35.17
Bank officers.....	3	179	59.67	1	75	75.00	2	104	52.00
Civil Engineer.....	1	22	22.00	..	....	....	1	22	22.00
Clerks.....	18	564	31.33	10	281	28.10	8	283	35.38
Clothier.....	1	58	58.00	1	58	58.00	..	....	....
Collector.....	1	55	55.00	1	55	55.00	..	....	....
Conductor.....	1	38	38.00	1	38	38.00	..	....	....
Drover.....	1	50	50.00	..	....	....	1	50	50.00
Grocers.....	11	628	57.09	8	472	59.00	3	156	52.00
Gauger.....	1	67	67.00	1	67	67.00	..	....	....
Inn-keeper.....	1	41	41.00	..	....	....	1	41	41.00
Manufacturers.....	11	598	54.36	4	206	51.50	7	392	56.00

TABLE XI. OCCUPATIONS, 1867.—CONTINUED.

OCCUPATIONS.	WHOLE STATE.			PROVIDENCE CITY.			REST OF STATE.		
	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.
Merchants.....	27	1,555	57.59	10	621	62.10	17	934	54.94
Postmasters.....	2	97	48.50	..	....	....	2	97	48.50
Photographer.....	1	63	63.00	1	63	63.00	..	....	....
Policeman.....	1	42	42.00	1	42	42.00	..	....	....
Stable-keepers.....	6	267	44.50	5	216	43.20	1	51	51.00
Saloon-keepers.....	3	136	45.33	2	103	51.50	1	33	33.00
Sheriff.....	1	77	77.00	..	....	....	1	77	77.00
Traders.....	11	565	51.36	5	248	49.60	6	317	52.83
Undertaker.....	1	38	38.00	1	38	38.00	..	....	....
Watchmen.....	2	124	62.00	..	....	....	2	124	62.00
V. PROFESSIONAL MEN									
Clergymen.....	4	202	50.50	1	67	67.00	3	135	45.00
Lawyers.....	4	334	83.50	2	163	81.50	2	171	85.50
Physicians.....	11	601	54.64	7	347	49.57	4	254	63.50
Students.....	2	42	21.00	2	42	21.00	..	....	....
Teachers.....	2	64	32.00	..	....	....	2	64	32.00
VI. SEAFARING MEN.									
Boatmen.....	2	114	57.00	..	....	....	2	114	57.00
Fishermen.....	4	221	55.25	..	....	....	4	221	55.25
Mariners.....	22	1,205	54.77	8	478	59.75	14	727	51.93
Naval officer.....	1	71	71.00	1	71	71.00	..	....	....
Oystermen.....	2	136	68.00	1	72	72.00	1	64	64.00
Pilot.....	1	28	28.00	..	....	....	1	28	28.00
VII. SOLDIERS.									
	7	245	35.00	2	54	27.00	5	191	38.20
VIII. FEMALES.									
Dressmaker.....	1	28	28.00	1	28	28.00	..	....	....
Milliners.....	2	73	36.50	..	....	....	2	73	36.50
Nurses.....	2	136	68.00	2	136	68.00	..	....	....
Operatives.....	15	421	28.07	2	59	29.50	13	362	27.85
Seamstresses.....	3	115	38.33	2	66	33.00	1	49	49.00
Sisters of Mercy.....	3	109	36.33	2	73	36.50	1	36	36.00
Tailoresses.....	5	299	59.80	2	77	38.50	3	222	74.00
Teachers.....	6	245	40.83	4	157	39.25	2	88	44.00

TABLE XI. OCCUPATIONS, 1867.—CONTINUED.
RECAPITULATION.

OCCUPATIONS.	WHOLE STATE.			PROVIDENCE CITY.			REST OF STATE.		
	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.	Number who died.	Aggregate Age.	Average Age.
AGRICULTURISTS	143	9,492	66.38	7	525	75.00	136	8,967	65.93
MECHANICS & ARTISANS	240	11,379	47.41	88	3,920	44.55	152	7,459	49.07
LABORERS.....	182	8,221	45.17	70	3,160	45.14	112	5,061	45.19
BUSINESS MEN	119	5,900	49.58	60	3,008	50.13	59	2,892	49.02
PROFESSIONAL MEN..	23	1,243	54.04	12	619	51.58	11	624	56.73
SEAFARING MEN.....	32	1,775	55.47	10	621	62.10	22	1,154	52.45
SOLDIERS.....	7	245	35.00	2	54	27.00	5	191	38.20
FEMALES.....	37	1,426	38.54	15	596	39.73	22	830	37.73
ALL CLASSES.....	783	39,681	50.68	264	12,503	47.36	519	27,178	52.37

TABLE XII. OCCUPATIONS AND CAUSES OF DEATH.—1867. CONTINUED.

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OCCUPATIONS.	Whole number by																																									
	given causes.	Accidents.	Apoplexy and Paralysis.	Asthma.	Bladder, Disease of.	Bowels, Inflammation of.	Brain, Affections of.	Bronchitis.	Cancer.	Cholera Morbus.	Colic.	Consumption.	Debility.	Diabetes.	Diphtheria.	Dropsy.	Dropsy of Chest.	Dysentery.	Erysipelas.	Fever.	Gangrene.	Gravel.	Heart, Disease of.	Hemorrhage.	Hernia.	Insanity.	Intemperance and Delirium Tremens.	Kidneys, Disease of.	Liver, Disease of.	Old Age.	Pleurisy.	Pneumonia and Congestion of Lungs.	Pyæmia.	Rheumatism.	Small Pox.	Stomach, Disease of.	Satide.	Tuberculosis.	Tumor.			
Naval officer.....	1	1																																								
Oystermen.....	1																																									
Plot.....	1																																									
VII. SOLDIERS.	6	1										3	1															1														
VIII. FEMALES.	1											1																														
Dressmaker.....	1																																									
Milliners.....	2																																									
Nurse.....	2																																									
Operatives.....	13											8																														
Seamstresses.....	3											2																														
Sisters of Mercy.....	3																																									
Tailoresses.....	6																																									
Teachers.....	5											2																														
AGRICULTURISTS.....	138	317	2	3	1	4	1	3	88	1	23	1	1	1	1	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
MECHANICS AND ARTISANS.....	229	1315	3	4	5	1	3	1	88	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
LABORERS.....	163	2167	1	1	1	1	1	1	53	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
BUSINESS MEN.....	114	310	1	1	1	1	1	1	33	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
PROFESSIONAL MEN.....	23	112	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
SEAFARING MEN.....	30	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
SOLDIERS.....	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
FEMALES.....	34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
TOTALS.....	737	53957	2	5	5	20	5	12	2	5	225	6	1	7	319	2	9	4	941	6	4	257	8	2	5	816	17	6	39	3	3	1	2	7	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4

RECAPITULATION.

METEOROLOGICAL, 1867.

The following tables and remarks, in relation to the meteorological phenomena of the year 1867, have been prepared by Dr. Edward T. Caswell, of Providence. The tables were compiled from the observations of Prof. Alexis Caswell, of Providence.

TABLE XIII.

Showing the mean altitude and range of the Barometer, the prevailing winds, the mean relative humidity, mean cloudiness of the sky, the number of days of rain or snow, and the quantity of rain and melted snow for each month of the year 1867.

MONTHS.	Barometer reduced to 32° Fahrenheit and to the sea level.	Range of Barometer.	DAYS OF PREVAILING WINDS.				Relative Humidity.	Mean Cloudiness of the Sky.	Number of Days of Rain and Snow.	Rain and Melted Snow, in inches.
			N. and E.	E. and S.	S. and W.	W. and N.				
January.....	29.859	1.595	8	0	3	20	71.9	4.3	8	5.72
February.....	30.117	1.596	5	5	10	8	72.4	5.1	10	6.80
March.....	30.062	1.174	18	0	3	10	75.3	6.4	9	5.32
April.....	29.680	0.890	5	2	14	9	69.6	4.4	10	2.24
May.....	29.905	1.224	5	6	11	9	68.8	6.0	12	3.94
June.....	30.089	0.554	16	6	14	4	73.5	4.5	8	1.56
July.....	29.978	0.695	10	2	12	7	77.7	4.9	13	3.15
August.....	30.068	0.538	5	6	15	4	85.3	5.5	16	8.23
September.....	30.132	0.865	11	6	9	4	79.1	4.9	7	0.62
October.....	30.085	0.940	8	2	7	14	72.7	4.2	7	4.07
November.....	30.018	1.052	3	7	7	13	74.0	5.8	9	2.59
December.....	30.056	1.136	7	3	4	17	70.6	5.6	12	2.80
Whole Year....	30.029	1.022	91	45	110	119	73.4	5.1	121	47.04

TABLE XIV.

Showing the mean temperature, the highest and lowest temperature, the monthly range, the mean daily range, and the greatest change in twenty-four hours for each month of the year 1867.

MONTHS.	THERMOMETER.				Mean daily range.	Greatest change in 24 hours.	
	Mean.	Highest.	Lowest.	Range.		Degrees of rise or fall of thermometer.	DATE.
January.....	20.0°	37°	-8°	45°	13.9°	28° r.	Jan. 20.
February.....	33.5	52	8	44	14.0	24 r.	Feb. 28.
March.....	31.9	58	13	45	12.0	22 { f. r.	March 2. " 19.
April.....	45.0	70	26	44	17.8	32 r.	April 15.
May.....	53.3	75	30	43	15.3	26 r.	May 13.
June.....	65.9	87	45	42	16.2	29 r.	June 30.
July.....	67.7	93	53	40	18.4	28 r.	July 24.
August.....	69.3	87	46	41	15.2	24 r.	Aug. 26.
September.....	60.4	78	35	43	15.8	29 r.	Sept. 24.
October.....	51.2	76	30	46	16.4	26 r.	Oct. 1.
November.....	39.6	69	15	54	14.9	30 r.	Nov. 9.
December.....	25.0	51	2	49	12.9	33 r.	Dec. 20.
Whole year :....	46.9	93	-8	44.7	15.2	33°	Dec. 20.

We again present our meteorological tables to the reader, and once more pursue the problem of the influence of the weather upon mortality. The points worthy of special notice in these tables are the following: January was exceedingly cold, seven degrees colder than the average. In a period of thirty-six years there are only three colder. The amount of rain and snow in this month was somewhat above the average. February was six degrees warmer than the average, and the warmest February with one exception in the above named period, with more than double the average amount of rain and snow. July was colder than usual and had an average amount of rain. August had an average temperature but more than double the average amount of rain. Indeed, more rain fell in the course of

the month than in any one month since August, 1853. The amount that fell in August and February, was nearly one-third of the whole year's supply. September was also of the average temperature, but had only one-fifth of its due amount of rain.

Referring to the mortuary tables, we again find, as in the last report, a diminution in the entire number of deaths. Following out the course into which we have unconsciously fallen in previous reports, we turn first to the deaths from "summer complaints." The same diminution in the number of deaths is perceptible here, with the exception of cholera infantum; there being an increase of seven deaths from this cause, while there were thirty less from dysentery. In all of our previous notices, we have found the majority of deaths from these diseases in August; in this year, however, it occurred in September. Thus from cholera infantum, 40 died in August, and 29 in September; from dysentery 29 in August, and 39 in September; while from diarrhœa there were 12 in August, and 8 in September. On the whole, so far as these diseases were concerned, it was the healthiest August for some years. We find that without any special departure from an average temperature, one of these two months was exceedingly wet, and the other comparatively dry. The Registrar General of England, in one of his recent reports advanced the opinion that wet seasons were the healthiest; the record of this August at all events, shows such a coincidence. With more rain than had fallen in any one month for fifteen years, there was a very small number of deaths from all summer complaints. In the report for 1866, we noticed that September of that year was very damp and had an excess of rain, and the deaths from dysentery were only about one-half as many as those of the preceding cold, dry August. On the other hand, in the year 1864, the deaths from summer complaints were just twice as many in August as in September, and August of that year had just about twice the quantity of rain of September.

The first four months of the year again present the majority of deaths from pneumonia; more than three-fourths of the whole number from this cause occurred in these months. April comes first, and then January, and again February has the least. Thus of these three months the one in which there was the least rain presents the greatest number of deaths from pneumonia, and the one in which there was more than three times that amount of rain, the least number of deaths. In 1866, February also had the most rain, and the least number of deaths from this cause.

Diphtheria presents this year an anomaly hitherto unobserved. The majority of deaths has always been in the last quarter of the year. In this year the greatest number occurred in the first and third quarters respectively. The greatest monthly numbers in January and July respectively.

One-half of the deaths from typhoid fever occurred in the months of September, October and November, and in these months the distribution was 19, 19, 20. October had nearly seven times the amount of rain of September. Shall we conclude that rain and moisture have no effect upon typhoid fever? There is a striking uniformity in the number of monthly deaths from this disease in this year and the preceding. In the latter, there were 19 in August, October, November, and December, and 17 in September.

In the number of deaths from consumption there is an increase of 30 over the preceding year, and the whole number is larger than for some years. As in the preceding year the greatest monthly number 60, occurred in March; the smallest 31 was in May.

The deaths from old age also show an increase. More old people died in March and January than in any other months, although January was so unusually cold, still the deaths were five less than in the same month in 1864, in which the average temperature was seven degrees warmer. We thus fail again in the application of M. Lombard's theory. The cold January was followed by the warm February, and yet the largest number of deaths occurred in March.

We have, as it will be perceived, endeavored to apply to this year the principle of the dependence of mortality upon the amount of rain, supposing the two to be an inverse ratio. Whatever plausibility some of the facts may possess, the final result remains that the month of August, so abundant in rain, presents the greatest number of deaths from all causes, and September with its drought, very nearly as many. We must, however, in pursuing this study, bear constantly in mind the fact that the influence of the variations in weather, may be far-reaching in its effects, and the deaths which they may have induced may occur in other monthly limits.

RESULTS AND OBSERVATIONS.

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By reference to Table I, on page 2, it will be seen that during the year 1867, there were recorded in Rhode Island *five thousand one hundred and twenty-seven (5,127) births; two thousand three hundred and forty-four (2,344) marriages; and two thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine (2,889) deaths.*

The usual comparison of the general results of registration, in Rhode Island, during the last fourteen years, is as follows :

Year.	Whole number of Births.	Still-born.	Living Births.	Marriages.	Deaths.
1854.....	2,105.....	78.....	2,027.....	1,047.....	1,720
1855.....	2,926.....	124.....	2,802.....	1,375.....	1,846
1856.....	2,906.....	188.....	2,723.....	1,535.....	2,042
1857.....	4,026.....	185.....	3,841.....	1,526.....	2,325
1858.....	4,263.....	177.....	4,086.....	1,438.....	2,616
1859.....	4,500.....	177.....	4,323.....	1,672.....	2,270
1860.....	4,660.....	167.....	4,493.....	1,748.....	2,686
1861.....	4,840.....	146.....	4,694.....	1,533.....	2,927
1862.....	4,125.....	123.....	4,002.....	1,450.....	2,591
1863.....	3,691.....	111.....	3,580.....	1,618.....	3,207
1864.....	3,892.....	138.....	3,754.....	1,844.....	3,360
1865.....	3,955.....	177.....	3,778.....	1,896.....	3,405
1866.....	4,902.....	172.....	4,730.....	2,318.....	2,970
1867.....	5,127.....	163.....	4,964.....	2,344.....	2,889

The number of births and marriages was considerably more in 1867, than in any previous year, while the number of deaths was less than in any year since 1862. The number of living children born in 1867, was 2,075 more than the decedents in the same year.

On the next two pages will be found a comparison of the births, marriages, and deaths in each town in the State, in 1867, with the population of each town by the census of 1865; and also a comparison of the statistics in each town for the three years 1865, 1866, and 1867.

**BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN RHODE ISLAND, IN 1867,
COMPARED WITH THE POPULATION IN 1865.**

TOWNS AND DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.	Population in 1865.	Births in 1867.	To Population one birth in	Marriages in 1867.	Of Population one person married in	Deaths in 1867.	Of Population one death in	Deaths in each 100 of the population.
Barrington.....	1,028	12	85.7	5	102.8	11	93.5	1.07
Bristol.....	4,649	151	30.8	37	62.8	90	51.7	1.94
Warren.....	2,792	47	59.4	43	32.5	43	65.0	1.54
BRISTOL COUNTY...	8,469	210	40.3	85	49.8	144	58.8	1.70
Coventry.....	3,995	102	39.2	25	79.9	65	61.5	1.63
East Greenwich....	2,400	56	42.9	21	57.1	31	77.4	1.29
West Greenwich....	1,228	23	53.4	6	102.3	24	51.2	1.95
Warwick.....	7,696	169	45.5	113	34.1	111	69.3	1.44
KENT COUNTY.....	15,319	350	43.8	165	46.4	231	66.3	1.51
Jamestown.....	349	7	49.9	.....	.....	3	116.3	0.86
Little Compton....	1,197	11	108.8	4	149.6	18	66.5	1.50
Middletown.....	1,019	16	63.7	2	254.7	8	127.4	0.79
Newport.....	12,688	336	37.8	151	42.0	214	59.3	1.69
New Shoreham.....	1,308	18	72.7	9	72.7	18	72.7	1.88
Portsmouth.....	2,153	38	56.7	10	107.6	25	86.1	1.16
Tiverton.....	1,973	40	49.3	36	27.4	25	78.9	1.27
NEWPORT COUNTY.	20,687	466	44.4	212	48.8	311	66.5	1.50
Burrillville.....	4,861	110	44.2	55	44.2	61	79.7	1.25
Cranston.....	9,177	344	26.7	64	71.7	160	57.4	1.74
*Cumberland.....	8,216	86	23.6	58	20.3	40	50.1	2.00
East Providence....	2,172	52	41.8	25	43.4	41	53.0	1.88
Foster.....	1,873	26	72.0	13	72.0	17	110.2	0.91
Glocester.....	2,286	46	49.7	13	87.9	21	108.9	0.92
Johnston.....	3,436	96	35.8	19	90.4	54	63.6	1.57
North Providence...	14,553	495	29.4	226	32.2	212	68.6	1.46
Pawtucket.....	5,000	144	34.7	46	54.3	83	60.2	1.66
Scituate.....	3,538	49	72.2	51	34.7	40	88.5	1.13
Smithfield.....	12,315	293	42.0	105	58.6	189	65.2	1.53
*Woonsocket.....	.....	262	.....	144	.....	124	.....	.....
PROV. CO. TOWNS..	67,427	2,003	33.7	819	41.2	1,042	64.7	1.55
PROVIDENCE CITY ..	54,595	1,624	33.6	855	31.9	960	56.9	1.76
Charlestown.....	1,134	9	126.0	9	63.0	13	87.3	1.15
Exeter.....	1,498	33	45.4	12	62.4	7	214.0	0.47
Hopkinton.....	2,512	65	38.6	37	33.9	28	89.7	1.11
North Kingstown...	3,166	98	32.3	36	44.0	52	60.9	1.64
South Kingstown...	4,513	145	31.1	38	59.4	43	105.0	0.95
Richmond.....	1,830	56	32.7	16	57.2	26	70.4	1.42
Westerly.....	3,815	68	56.1	60	31.8	32	119.2	0.84
WASHINGTON Co....	18,468	474	39.0	208	44.4	201	91.9	1.09
WHOLE STATE	184,965	5,127	36.1	2,344	39.5	2,889	64.0	1.56

*In populations and comparisons Woonsocket is included in Cumberland.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS IN EACH TOWN IN RHODE ISLAND, IN EACH OF THE THREE YEARS 1865, 1866, and 1867.

TOWNS AND DIVISIONS OF THE STATE.	BIRTHS.			MARRIAGES.			DEATHS.		
	1865.	1866.	1867.	1865.	1866.	1867.	1865.	1866.	1867.
Barrington.....	13	13	12	4	5	5	14	9	11
Bristol.....	140	140	151	35	40	37	131	99	90
Warren.....	40	46	47	36	44	43	48	55	43
BRISTOL COUNTY.....	193	199	210	75	89	85	193	163	144
Coventry.....	67	88	102	32	26	25	67	48	65
East Greenwich.....	32	45	56	18	18	21	42	44	31
West Greenwich.....	26	28	23	10	8	6	16	17	24
Warwick.....	150	180	169	94	121	113	122	108	111
KENT COUNTY.....	275	341	350	154	173	165	247	217	231
Jamestown.....	7	4	7	2	.....	.....	6	5	3
Little Compton.....	19	18	11	4	9	4	13	20	18
Middletown.....	19	19	16	4	3	2	17	12	8
Newport.....	295	325	336	129	147	151	255	200	214
New Shoreham.....	31	17	18	13	13	9	21	35	18
Portsmouth.....	35	43	38	11	11	10	18	45	25
Tiverton.....	43	44	40	30	34	36	33	41	25
NEWPORT COUNTY.....	449	470	466	193	217	212	363	358	311
Burrillville.....	107	112	110	22	50	55	117	58	61
Cranston.....	209	321	344	36	34	64	173	143	160
*Cumberland.....	230	325	86	147	239	58	156	161	40
East Providence.....	42	58	52	11	24	25	30	33	41
Foster.....	33	36	26	24	24	13	30	31	17
Glocester.....	39	40	46	10	16	13	30	25	21
Johnston.....	74	115	96	2	9	19	46	48	54
North Providence.....	354	440	495	178	224	226	261	217	212
Pawtucket.....	101	161	144	47	43	46	67	74	83
Scituate.....	35	38	49	37	49	51	37	37	40
Smithfield.....	151	231	293	73	103	105	181	159	189
*Woonsocket.....	.....	.....	262	.....	.....	144	.....	.....	124
PROVIDENCE Co. TOWNS...	1,375	1,877	2,003	587	815	819	1,128	986	1,042
PROVIDENCE CITY.....	1,298	1,632	1,624	709	812	855	1,211	1,036	960
Charlestown.....	12	14	9	13	12	9	17	12	13
Exeter.....	14	27	33	19	19	12	9	8	7
Hopkinton.....	64	66	65	27	34	37	32	34	28
North Kingstown.....	71	60	98	21	29	36	60	54	52
South Kingstown.....	78	97	145	40	52	38	59	40	43
Richmond.....	52	41	56	8	17	16	38	28	26
Westerly.....	74	78	68	50	49	60	48	34	32
WASHINGTON COUNTY.....	365	383	474	178	212	208	263	210	201
WHOLE STATE.....	3,955	4,902	5,127	1,896	2,318	2,344	3,405	2,970	2,889

*For comparisons, the figures for Woonsocket in 1867, should be included with those of Cumberland.

The figures on the last two pages show that, on the whole, registration is making gratifying progress. There is a marked increase in a number of the towns, in the completeness of the returns. There is also a regularity in the numbers reported, which shows that a certain amount of effort is made each year to comply with the requirements of the law. It is, however, equally evident that in several towns the returns are regularly deficient. We cannot give those towns the credit of being uniformly, so much more healthy than the rest of the State, nor can we believe that they are so deficient in the production of children as the reports would seem to indicate. It would seem to be certain that the deaths were not all reported in 1867, in the towns

Westerly, South Kingstown, Exeter, Gloucester, Middletown, and perhaps in some other towns.

The statistical results for the year, in the State as a whole, are extremely satisfactory. The large number of births and marriages and the very small number of deaths, denote a healthy condition and progress in the community. The increase in the population of the State in 1867, by the excess of living children born over the deaths, was 2,075, a greater number than in any previous year in the history of registration in the State.

The proportions of births, marriages, and deaths in Rhode Island, to living population, in 1867, were one child born in 36.1; one person married in 39.5; one person died in 64.0. In the State of Massachusetts, for the same year, the proportions were one child born in 36.1; one person married in 43.8; one person died in 55.6. In both States the comparisons were founded on the census of 1865.

We will now consider more particularly the facts relating to births, marriages, and deaths, in 1867.

BIRTHS, 1867.

We have already seen on page 47, that the whole number of births in Rhode Island, in 1867, was 225 more than in 1866; and 1,172 more than in 1865; and more than in any previous year. It is probable that a portion of this increase is owing to more complete returns in some towns. In the city of Providence, where the returns have been quite full for many years, there was no increase in 1867, as compared with 1866; though the number was very much larger than in 1865.

Let us now examine more particularly the characteristics of the children born in 1867, as shown in the tables on pages two to six inclusive.

SEX OF THE CHILDREN BORN.

Of the 5,127 children born, in 1867, in the State of Rhode Island, there were 2,655 males; 2,464 females; and 8, "sex not stated." Omitting those of unknown sex, there were 107.7 males to each 100 females; or 51.87 male, and 48.13 female children in each 100 born. The following shows the number and proportion of the sexes, in the children born in the state of Rhode Island, in each of the 15 years and seven months from 1852 to 1867 inclusive:

SEX OF CHILDREN BORN.

Year.	Children.		Males to each 100 Females.	Males.	Females.
	Males.	Females.			
1852-3.....	1,432.....	1,404.....	102.0, or.....	50.49 and 49.51 in each 100.	
1854.....	1,081.....	1,003.....	107.8, or.....	51.87 and 48.13 in each 100.	
1855.....	1,492.....	1,421.....	105.0, or.....	51.22 and 48.78 in each 100.	
1856.....	1,479.....	1,407.....	105.1, or.....	51.25 and 48.75 in each 100.	
1857.....	2,057.....	1,948.....	105.6, or.....	51.36 and 48.64 in each 100.	
1858.....	2,200.....	2,053.....	107.2, or.....	51.73 and 48.27 in each 100.	
1859.....	2,209.....	2,097.....	105.3, or.....	51.30 and 48.70 in each 100.	
1860.....	2,263.....	2,212.....	102.3, or.....	50.57 and 49.43 in each 100.	
1861.....	2,531.....	2,291.....	110.5, or.....	52.49 and 47.51 in each 100.	
1862.....	2,152.....	1,967.....	109.4, or.....	52.25 and 47.75 in each 100.	
1863.....	1,892.....	1,788.....	105.8, or.....	51.41 and 48.59 in each 100.	
1864.....	1,949.....	1,942.....	100.3, or.....	50.09 and 49.91 in each 100.	
1865.....	2,096.....	1,857.....	112.9, or.....	53.02 and 46.98 in each 100.	
1866.....	2,546.....	2,356.....	108.0, or.....	51.94 and 48.06 in each 100.	
14 $\frac{7}{12}$ years....	27,379.....	25,746.....	106.3, or.....	51.54 and 48.46 in each 100.	
1867.....	2,655.....	2,464.....	107.7, or.....	51.87 and 48.13 in each 100.	

The proportion of male children born in 1867, was slightly less than in 1866; but was considerably greater than the proportion in the aggregate of births for fourteen years and seven months previous. Upon this question of the proportion of the sexes born in Rhode Island, the time and the number of births, included in the preceding table, are sufficient to establish very nearly the true proportions for the State. The births for a single year, whatever their number or proportions, change but very slightly the proportions for the aggregate for the whole period. We find above that the proportion of the sexes born in Rhode Island, may be set down at 106.3 male children to each 100 female children; or 51.54 male, and 48.46 female children in each 100 born.

These figures include the births in the city of Providence with the rest of the State; but contrary to what might be expected, the proportion of males in the State is increased by including the city, as the proportion of males born in Providence is considerably greater than in the rest of the State.

During the 14 years, 1854 to 1867 inclusive, there were 11,254 male, and 10,502 female children born in the city of Providence, which gives 107.1 male to each 100 female children; or 51.73 males and 48.37 females in each 100 born.

The proportion of male children, both in the State and in the city, is considerably greater than in the State of Massachusetts. In the twenty-sixth Registration Report of that State, we find that in 1867, the proportion of male children born was 104.2 to each 100 female children; and in the whole period, 1852 to 1866 inclusive, it was 105.9 male to each 100 female children.

SEX AND LOCALITY.

By referring to Table II for the figures, we find that the numbers, and proportions of each sex, both in each division of the State, in 1867, were as follows, omitting eight children of "unknown" sex :

BIRTHS, 1867.	Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport County.	Providence Co. Towns.	Providence City.	Washington County.	Whole State.
Males.....	112	173	251	1,030	830	259	2,655
Females.....	97	176	213	969	794	215	2,464
Total.....	209	349	464	1,999	1,624	474	5,119
Males to each 100 females.....	115.5	98.3	117.8	106.3	104.5	120.4	107.7

The number of births in the several divisions of the State, in any single year, is not sufficiently large to prove any differences in the proportion of the sexes in different localities. The following shows the number of males to each 100 females, in the several divisions of the State in each of the last five years :

BIRTHS.		Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport County.	Providence Co. Towns.	Providence City.	Washington County.	Whole State.
Males to each 100 females.	1863.....	120.0	98.4	97.0	101.8	111.4	108.7	105.8
	1864.....	106.8	87.3	90.6	107.4	97.3	103.4	100.3
	1865.....	119.3	118.2	108.8	118.9	113.8	88.1	112.9
	1866.....	109.4	113.1	103.4	104.9	108.4	124.0	108.0
	1867.....	115.5	98.3	117.8	106.3	104.5	120.4	107.7

A slight examination of the preceding figures, shows that they furnish no evidence that the proportions of the sexes are influenced, within the limits of the State, from local causes.

SEX AND SEASON.

The second table shows the number and sex of the children born in each season of the year 1867, and this enables us to show the proportion of the sexes born in connection with season, as follows,—omitting those of “sex not stated” :—

January—March.... 647 males, 613 females, or 105.5 males to each 100 females.
 April—June..... 621 males, 570 females, or 108.9 males to each 100 females.
 July—September.... 647 males, 586 females, or 110.4 males to each 100 females.
 October—December. 740 males, 695 females, or 106.5 males to each 100 females.
 Whole year..... 2,625 males, 2,464 females, or 107.7 males to each 100 females.

The excess in the proportion of males among the children born in the third quarter of the year, 1867, as in 1866, was an exception to the general rule.

In the city of Providence, in 1867, the excess in the proportion of males, was extremely large (125.5) in the second quarter of the year, while in all the other quarters of the year there was an excess of females. As a general rule, in Providence, the proportion of males is much the smallest in the third quarter of the year. The following are the figures for the aggregate of the children born in each quarter of the year in Providence, during the twelve years, 1856 to 1867 inclusive, as shown in the Thirteenth Annual Report of the City Registrar :—

January—March.... 2,486 males, 2,239 females, or 111.0 males to each 100 females.
 April—June..... 2,462 males, 2,279 females, or 108.0 males to each 100 females.
 July—September... 2,340 males, 2,268 females, or 103.1 males to each 100 females.
 October—December. 2,448 males, 2,265 females, or 108.1 males to each 100 females.
 12 years total..... 9,736 males, 9,051 females, or 107.5 males to each 100 females.

SEASON.

The following shows the number of children born in Rhode Island, in each quarter of each of the last five years, and also in the aggregate for fifteen years, 1853 to 1867 inclusive :

	1863.	1864.	1865.	1866.	1867.	Fifteen Years, 1853—1867.
January—March.....	864.....	890.....	906.....	1,085.....	1,280.....	13,722
April—June.....	871.....	905.....	918.....	1,102.....	1,191.....	13,611
July—September.....	952.....	1,014.....	1,049.....	1,277.....	1,233.....	14,715
October—December.....	1,004.....	1,083.....	1,082.....	1,438.....	1,435.....	15,303
Total.....	3,691.....	3,892.....	3,955.....	4,902.....	5,119.....	57,351

The preceding figures for each year, as well as for the aggregate in fifteen years, show a large excess of births in the last half of the year, and especially in the last quarter. We have repeatedly shown in these reports, that this result is entirely erroneous. It arises from the fact that throughout the State, except in the city of Providence, the births are collected only once a year, in January. The result is that the returns of some births in the earlier portions of the year, are lost by the removal, or forgetfulness of the parents, and thus the reports from year to year, show a greater number of births in the last than in the first six months of the year.

That this is the true reason, is also shown, by the fact that in the city of Providence, where the returns of births are collected semi-annually, in July and January, the number of births in the two portions of the year is nearly equal, with a slight excess in the first six months. In Providence, in twelve years, 1856 to 1867 inclusive, there were 9,466 births in the first six months, and 9,321 in the last six months of the year.

• In the State of Massachusetts, the returns of births are collected in the same manner, annually, except in Boston and perhaps some other cities, and the result is the same as in Rhode Island ;—a greater number of births in the last six months of the year. But there can be no doubt that the result is entirely erroneous in Massachusetts as well as in Rhode Island, and that the explanation of it is the same in the two States.

And yet we find in the Massachusetts Registration Report for the year 1867, (page 10), that it is assumed that this erroneous result is true, and the following positive conclusion is drawn from it :

“ It is difficult to account for these well established facts ; but it is certain that a larger number of children are conceived in Massachusetts in the six months of cold weather.”

We feel certain that the facts and the conclusion as stated in the Massachusetts Report, are both alike erroneous.

PARENTAGE.

The first table shows the parentage of the children born in each town in Rhode Island, during the year 1867. The following shows the parentage of the children born in the whole State, in each of the last five years, 1863 to 1867 inclusive, and also in the aggregate for five years previous, 1858 to 1862 inclusive :

PARENTAGE.	Five Years				
	1863.	1864.	1865.	1866.	1867. 1858-1862.
American.....	1,661.....	1,781.....	1,773.....	2,227.....	2,270.....10,609
Foreign.....	1,702.....	1,811.....	1,824.....	2,249.....	2,382..... 9,697
American father and foreign mother....	132.....	142.....	180.....	205.....	217..... 814
Foreign father and American mother..	142.....	145.....	175.....	221.....	258..... 755
Parentage not stated.....	54.....	13.....	3.....	.....	..... 223
Total.....	3,691.....	3,832.....	3,955.....	4,902.....	5,127.....22,098

The percentages of each class in the several periods given above, are as follows :—

PARENTAGE.	Five Years				
	1863.	1864.	1865.	1866.	1867. 1858-1862.
American.....	45.67.....	45.91.....	44.86.....	45.43.....	44.28.....48.50
Foreign.....	46.79.....	46.69.....	46.15.....	45.88.....	46.46.....44.33
American father and foreign mother..	3.63.....	3.66.....	4.56.....	4.18.....	4.23..... 3.72
Foreign father and American mother.	3.91.....	3.74.....	4.43.....	4.51.....	5.03..... 3.45
Total.....	100.00.....	100.00.....	100.00.....	100.00.....	100.00.....100.00

It will be noticed that in 1867, the number and percentage of foreign children, born in the State, were slightly greater than usual. The number and percentage of children of mixed parentage were also increased, while of children of American parentage, though there was an increase in the number, the percentage was less than in either of the four years preceding.

Taking the two periods of five years each, 1858 to 1862 inclusive, and 1863 to 1867 inclusive, the number and percentage. by parentage of the children born in Rhode Island were as follows :

PARENTAGE.	Five Years, 1858-1862.		Five Years, 1863-1867.	
	Number.	Percentage.	Number.	Percentage.
American.....	10,609.....	48.50.....	9,712.....	45.18.....
Foreign.....	9,697.....	44.33.....	9,968.....	46.37.....
American father and foreign mother...	814.....	3.72.....	876.....	4.07.....
Foreign father and American mother..	755.....	3.45.....	941.....	4.38.....
Parentage not stated.....	223.....	.....	70.....	.....
Totals.....	22,098.....	100.00.....	21,567.....	100.00.....

It appears from the first table that in Rhode Island, in the year 1867, more children of foreign than of American parentage were born in the following towns, viz.: Warren, Warwick, Burrillville, Cranston, Cumberland, North Providence, Pawtucket, Smithfield, Woonsocket, and Providence. This includes all the towns that had an excess of foreign children in the preceding year; and also in addition, Warren, Warwick, and Woonsocket.

In five towns, West Greenwich, Jamestown, Middletown, New Shoreham, and Exeter, there were no children born of foreign parents, in 1867.

In the State of Massachusetts, in 1867, there were born 14,696 children of American parents, 16,911 of foreign parents, and 3,087 with one parent of foreign birth. The proportions were 42.36 per cent., American, 48.75 per cent. foreign, and 8.89 per cent. mixed. In the city of Boston, the proportion of foreign children born is still greater, the numbers in 1867 being as follows: American, 1,673; foreign, 3,758; mixed, 824.

COLORED CHILDREN.

There were 144 colored children reported as born in the State of Rhode Island, in 1867, or 20 more than in the previous year. The number born in each town, in 1867, was as follows:

Bristol.....	6	Glocester.....	1
Newport.....	19	Providence City.....	75
Tiverton.....	2	South Kingstown.....	7
East Providence.....	1	Warwick.....	7
Woonsocket.....	1	Portsmouth.....	1
North Kingstown.....	1	Cranston.....	6
East Greenwich.....	8	Pawtucket.....	2
New Shoreham.....	2	Exeter.....	3
Burrillville.....	1	Richmond.....	1

PLURALITY BIRTHS.

There were 67 cases of plurality births reported in the State in 1867, of which 27, including two cases of triplets, were in the city of Providence. The full particulars relating to these cases, are given in table III, on page 6.

During the fifteen years, from 1853 to 1867 inclusive, there were reported in Rhode Island, 56,730 cases of child-birth, producing 57,359 children as follows:

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56,114 cases of single births, giving.....	56,114 children.
603 cases of twin births, giving.....	1,206 children.
13 cases of triplet births, giving.....	39 children.
56,730 total cases of childbirth, giving.....	57,359 children.

Of the whole number (56,730) cases of child-birth, one in 94 produced twins ; and of the whole number (57,359) children born, one in 47.5 was a twin.

Of the whole number, (616) cases of plurality births in fifteen years, 273 were both parents American ; 304, both parents foreign ; 31, mixed parentage ; and 8 parentage unknown.

Of the 1,245 children born in plurality cases, in the fifteen years named, there were 618 males, 623 females, and 4 sex not stated, total, 1,245.

STILL-BORN CHILDREN.

The statistics of the still-born children are obtained from the returns of deaths, in which they are much more fully reported than in the returns of births.

It appears that in the year 1867, there were 163 still-born children reported in 20 towns in Rhode Island, the remaining towns reporting none.

Sex.—There were 92 males, 71 females among the still-born.

Parentage.—There were 72 still-born children in 1867, of American, and 91 of foreign parentage, the parentage being given according to the nativity of the fathers.

Season.—The number of still-born reported in the several months of the year 1867, was as follows :—January, 21 ; February, 15 ; March, 7 ; April, 8 ; May, 14 ; June, 18 ; July, 15 ; August, 12 ; September, 14 ; October, 15 ; November, 13 ; December, 11 ; total, 163.

SUMMARY—STILL-BORN.

During the whole period of State registration in Rhode Island, fifteen years and seven months, from June 1st, 1852 to December 31st, 1867, inclusive, the number of still-born children reported, has been 2,230, the statistics of which are as follows :

Sex.—Males, 1,319; females, 863; sex not stated, 48; total, 2,230 still-born in $15\frac{7}{12}$ years. This gives 60.4 males, and 39.6 females in each 100 still-born children; or 161.6 male, to each 100 female children.

Parentage.—The reports only enable us to give the parentage of the still-born children, from the first of January, 1859. During the nine years, 1859 to 1867 inclusive, the whole number of still-born reported was 1,374, divided according to parentage as follows: American, 531; foreign, 841; not stated, 2; total, 1,374. The proportions of the still-born, according to parentage, for this period, were 38.7 American. and 61.3 foreign in each 100. The proportions of all the children born during the last five years, we have seen to be: American, 49.25, and foreign, 50.75 in each 100, putting those of mixed parentage according to the nativity of their fathers. This shows that the proportion of foreign among the still-born children, is very much greater than the foreign proportion of all the children born.

Season.—The season of the year in which the still-births occurred in Rhode Island, was as follows, for the fifteen years, 1853 to 1867 inclusive:

MONTHS.	15 years.	MONTHS.	15 years.	MONTHS.	15 years.	MONTHS.	15 years.
January.....	182	April.....	155	July.....	183	October.....	157
February.....	182	May.....	176	August.....	212	November.....	191
March.....	187	June.....	165	September.....	195	December.....	206
1st Quarter.....	551	2d Quarter.....	496	3d Quarter.....	590	4th Quarter.....	554

First six months, 1,047; second six months, 1,144; total, 2,19

NUMBER OF THE CHILDREN.

The following table shows the number of the child *of the mother*; that is whether the child whose birth is reported is the first, second, third, &c., child of its mother. The facts relate to the children born in 1867, as well as for all born in Rhode Island, during the eleven years, 1857 to 1867 inclusive:

NUMBER OF THE CHILD. ELEVEN YEARS, 1857-1867.

NUMBER.	1857-66.	1867.	11 years total.	NUMBER.	1857-66.	1867.	11 years total.
First.....	9,654	1,417	11,071	Twelfth.....	140	20	160
Second.....	8,054	977	9,031	Thirteenth....	70	14	84
Third.....	6,538	744	7,282	Fourteenth....	46	5	51
Fourth.....	4,987	542	5,529	Fifteenth.....	25	1	26
Fifth.....	3,750	456	4,206	Sixteenth.....	9	1	10
Sixth.....	2,562	315	2,877	Seventeenth...	10	1	11
Seventh.....	1,755	237	1,992	Nineteenth....	3	....	3
Eighth.....	1,168	182	1,350	Twentieth.....	1	....	1
Ninth.....	724	113	837	Twenty-first...	1	....	1
Tenth.....	468	51	519				
Eleventh.....	243	24	267	Totals.....	40,208	5,100	45,308

It will be noticed that the proportion of first children in 1867, was considerably greater than in the aggregate for ten years previous. During the ten years 24 in each 100 were first children; in the year 1867, the proportion was nearly 28 in each 100.

During the 11 years, 1857 to 1867 inclusive, 45,308 mothers are represented in the preceding table. A simple arithmetical calculation shows that these 45,308 mothers had been the mothers of 156,348 children, or an average of 3.45 children to each mother.

The Registration Reports of the City of Providence, give a table which shows the number of the child in connection with the age of the mother.

From the thirteenth report, for the year 1867, we learn that during the four years and six months ending December 31, 1867, there were 380 women in Providence, of the age of 40 years and over, who had children. These 380 women had been the mothers of 2,740 children, or an average of 7.21 children to each mother.

The following table shows what *percentage* of the children born in each of the last ten years, was the first, second, third, &c., children of the mother. The calculations are only carried to the fifth child:

No. of the child.	1857.	1858.	1859.	1860.	1861.	1862.	1863.	1864.	1865.	1866.
First.....	24.23	24.13	22.74	24.36	24.53	24.03	22.78	23.17	24.29	25.35
Second.....	22.45	21.67	21.78	18.94	19.65	19.24	20.47	19.49	18.05	19.25
Third.....	15.43	16.84	17.19	17.28	17.07	17.82	14.93	15.65	16.14	14.28
Fourth.....	12.34	11.52	13.33	12.96	12.13	11.63	13.42	12.96	12.12	11.74
Fifth.....	8.98	9.17	8.97	8.95	8.87	9.32	8.79	9.56	10.59	9.94
First to Fifth	83.43	83.33	84.01	82.49	82.25	82.04	80.39	80.83	81.19	80.56
Sixth & over.	16.57	16.67	15.99	17.51	17.75	17.96	19.61	19.17	18.81	19.44
Total.....	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

The proportion of first children is generally a little less than one-fourth of the whole; but the proportion of first children varies with the number of marriages. Thus during the last two years there has been a considerable increase in the number of marriages in the State, and as the result, we find that 25.35 in each 100, more than one-fourth of the children born, were the first children. In 1867, the proportion of first children was still greater, 27.78 in each 100.

MARRIAGES, 1867.

There was 2,344 marriages reported in Rhode Island in 1867, which number was 26 more than in 1866; 448 more than in 1865; and more than were ever before reported in any year.

As compared with 1866, there was in 1867, an increase in the number of marriages in the months of February, March, April, June, November, and December, and a decrease in the other months.

Table IV, on page 7, shows the number of marriages in each county in Rhode Island, in each month and each quarter of the year 1867.

SEASON.

The following shows the number and proportion of marriages in the State of Rhode Island, in each quarter of the year, 1867, compared with the aggregate number and proportions for the fourteen years previous, from 1853 to 1866 inclusive :

		First Quarter.	Second Quarter.	Third Quarter.	Fourth Quarter.	Whole Year.
Year 1867.....	{ Number.....	569	590	501	684	2,344
	{ Percentage....	24.28	25.17	21.37	29.18	100.00
Years 1853-1866..	{ Number.....	4,930	5,464	5,258	6,517	22,169
	{ Percentage	22.24	24.65	23.72	29.39	100.00

The general rule as to the proportions of marriages in the different seasons of the year, is well established, and is shown in the aggregate for fourteen years, as given above. It seems, however,

that there was a marked disturbance in the proportions, during the year 1868, the percentages of marriages in the first quarter of the year being much greater, and in the third quarter much less than the usual standard.

NATIVITY.

The following shows the number of marriages according to the nativity of the parties, as reported in Rhode Island in each of the last nine years, and also the aggregate for ten years, 1858 to 1867 inclusive :

BIRTH-PLACES.	1859.	1860.	1861.	1862.	1863.	1864.	1865.	1866.	1867.	10 years total.
United States.....	1,017	1,059	939	937	1,013	1,166	1,231	1,442	1,470	11,146
Foreign countries....	508	530	421	361	425	472	446	599	616	4,800
Am. groom, for. bride.	74	90	85	90	93	92	90	130	114	934
For. groom, Am. bride	62	62	64	59	75	111	129	147	144	917
Not stated.....	11	7	24	3	12	3	.....	.....	.....	64
Totals.....	1,672	1,748	1,533	1,450	1,618	1,844	1,896	2,318	2,344	17,861

The proportions of American, foreign, and mixed marriages, at different dates, were as follows. By "*mixed*" marriages, is meant those in which one party was of American, and the other of foreign birth. Where both parties were of foreign birth, though of different countries, they are included with the foreign.

BIRTH-PLACES.	1858.	1860.	1862.	1865.	1866.	1867.	10 years total.
United States.....	60.81	60.83	64.75	64.93	62.21	62.71	62.63
Foreign countries.....	29.43	30.44	24.95	23.52	25.84	26.28	26.97
Mixed.....	9.76	8.73	10.30	11.55	11.95	11.01	10.40
Totals.....	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

The proportions of American, and of "*mixed*" marriages, in 1867, were slightly greater than in the aggregate for ten years, while the proportions of foreign marriages was less.

AGES OF PERSONS MARRIED.

The number of persons married at different periods of life, in the year 1867, in the State of Rhode Island, is shown in the fifth table on page 8.

The whole number of males and females married at different periods of life, in 1867 was as follows :

1867.	Under 20.	20 to 25.	25 to 30.	30 to 35.	35 to 40.	40 to 45.	45 to 50.	50 to 55.	55 to 60.	60 to 65.	65 to 70.	70 to 75.	75 to 80.	80 to 85.	Not Stated.
Males....	101	939	652	259	133	96	64	34	26	12	16	5	3	1	3
Females..	595	947	452	157	78	52	27	14	11	6	2	....	....	....	3
Totals...	696	1886	1104	416	211	148	91	48	37	18	18	5	3	1	6

The percentages of males and females at different periods of life, in each of the last eight years, were as follows :

YEARS.		Under 20.	20 to 25.	25 to 30.	30 to 40.	40 to 50.	50 and over.	Totals.
MALES.	1860.....	5.0	42.8	26.9	16.3	5.7	3.3	100.00
	1861.....	4.6	44.5	25.4	15.5	5.8	4.2	100.00
	1862.....	4.2	37.8	27.9	18.3	5.9	5.9	100.00
	1863.....	3.5	38.0	29.6	17.2	5.8	5.9	100.00
	1864.....	4.3	38.8	27.3	17.9	7.4	4.3	100.00
	1865.....	3.5	37.0	28.4	18.9	7.5	4.7	100.00
	1866.....	5.3	40.9	27.0	16.4	6.3	4.1	100.00
	1867.....	4.3	40.1	27.9	16.8	6.8	4.1	100.00
FEMALES.	1860.....	25.8	44.1	17.0	9.1	2.6	1.4	100.00
	1861.....	29.6	42.0	15.2	7.8	4.1	1.3	100.00
	1862.....	24.9	41.3	16.7	11.8	4.1	1.2	100.00
	1863.....	24.9	42.6	16.9	9.8	4.1	1.7	100.00
	1864.....	24.2	43.4	17.8	10.3	2.9	1.4	100.00
	1865.....	22.6	42.3	19.1	11.0	3.5	1.5	100.00
	1866.....	24.7	42.9	17.4	11.0	2.7	1.3	100.00
	1867.....	25.4	40.5	19.3	10.0	3.4	1.4	100.00

In these calculations those whose age is not given are omitted. These figures are for the whole State, including the city of Provi-

dence ; but the proportion of persons married at different ages, in Providence, is often quite different from the proportion in other parts of the State. The figures for Providence, in 1867, were as follows :

PROVIDENCE, 1867.	Under 20.	20 to 25.	25 to 30.	30 to 40.	40 to 50.	50 and over.	Totals.
Males.....	3.28	35.20	31.46	19.18	7.02	3.86	100.00
Females.....	19.65	42.22	21.64	12.28	3.04	1.17	100.00

Comparing this with the preceding table, very great differences will be found.

The aggregate and average age of all the persons married in Providence, in 1867, were as follows :

855 males.....aggregate age, 24,443 years.....average age, 28.58 years.
855 females.....aggregate age, 21,078 years.....average age, 24.65 years.

COLORED MARRIAGES.

There were 61 marriages in 1867, in Rhode Island, in which the parties were colored, or four less than in 1866. In one of these marriages, reported in East Providence, the return stated that the groom was black, and the bride, white. Marriages between white and colored persons are forbidden by the laws of Rhode Island, and if the marriage took place as reported, in East Providence, it is absolutely null and void.

Of the 61 marriages in 1867, of colored persons, 35 were in the city of Providence, 9 in Newport, 5 in Cranston, 3 each in Warwick and South Kingstown, and one each in East Greenwich, East Providence, Johnston, North Kingstown, Westerly, and Woonsocket.

MARRIAGE AND EDUCATION.

The laws of Rhode Island require parties about to be married, to sign the marriage certificate before the ceremony, and if they cannot write they must make their mark.

In the city of Providence the statistics upon this subject have been collected by the City Registrar, and from his annual report for 1867, we take the following results for the nine years, 1859 to 1867 inclusive :

1860-1867.	Whole number married.	Signed with a mark.	In each 100.
Males born in the United States.....	3,762.....	151.....	4.01
Females born in the United States.....	3,763.....	228.....	6.06
Total born in the United States.....	7,525.....	379.....	5.08
Males born in foreign countries.....	2,288.....	894.....	39.07
Females born in foreign countries.....	2,287.....	1,297.....	56.71
Total born in foreign countries.....	4,575.....	2,191.....	47.89

The proportion of those married who signed the certificate with a mark, was considerably greater in 1867 than in previous years.

The Registration Reports of the City of Providence are the only reports in this country, that give any statistics upon this subject.

DEATHS, 1867.

There were 2,889 deaths reported in the State of Rhode Island during the year 1867. This number was 81 less than in the previous year; 516 less than in 1865; and less than in any year since 1862, notwithstanding the marked improvement in the fullness of the returns since that period. In the city of Providence the number of deaths was 76 less in 1867 than in 1866; but in the towns of Providence county the number was 56 more. The proportion of deaths in 1867 to the population by the census of 1865, was one in 64, which was probably near the true ratio.

SEX OF DECEDENTS.

There were 1,442 males and 1,447 females in the total of 2,889 decedents in Rhode Island, in 1867.

The following shows the number and proportions of males and females among the decedents, as well as among the children born in Rhode Island during the last fourteen years :

DEATHS.	10 years, 1853-62..	10,930 males..	11,269 females..	or	96.9 males to 100 females.
	1863.....	1,621 males..	1,586 females..	or	102.2 males to 100 females.
	1864.....	1,633 males..	1,727 females..	or	94.5 males to 100 females.
	1865.....	1,686 males..	1,719 females..	or	98.1 males to 100 females.
	1866.....	1,497 males..	1,473 females..	or	101.6 males to 100 females.
	1867.....	1,442 males..	1,447 females..	or	99.7 males to 100 females.
	15 years.....	18,809 males..	19,221 females..	or	97.8 males to 100 females.
BIRTHS.	10 years, 1853-1862..	18,377 males..	17,260 females..	or	106.4 males to 100 females.
	1863.....	1,892 males..	1,788 females..	or	105.8 males to 100 females.
	1864.....	1,949 males..	1,942 females..	or	100.3 males to 100 females.
	1865.....	2,096 males..	1,857 females..	or	112.9 males to 100 females.
	1866.....	2,546 males..	2,356 females..	or	108.1 males to 100 females.
	1867.....	2,655 males..	2,464 females..	or	107.7 males to 100 females.
	15 years.....	29,515 males..	27,667 females..	or	106.7 males to 100 females.

SEASON AND MORTALITY.

The sixth table on page 9 shows the sex of the decedents in each month of the year 1867, in each division of the State. The following table shows the number and percentage of deaths in Rhode Island in each quarter of each of the last two years, and also in the aggregate for fourteen years from 1853 to 1866 inclusive :

SEASON.	1867.		1866.		1853-1866.	
	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.
January—March.	730	25.27	702	23.64	8,116	23.06
April—June.....	577	19.97	578	19.46	7,431	21.11
July—September.....	852	29.49	959	32.29	10,912	31.00
October—December.....	730	25.27	731	24.61	8,743	24.83
Totals.....	2,889	100.00	2,970	100.00	35,202	100.00

The figures, from year to year, show slight changes in the proportions of deaths at different seasons ; but the general rule upon the subject is established with considerable exactness.

The order of the months in respect to mortality, in Rhode Island, and the number of deaths in each month of each of the last four years, have been as follows :

1867.	1866.	1865.	1864.
August.....305	August.....370	September.....387	August.....396
September....298	September....297	August.....366	September...339
December....267	July.....292	October.....353	July.....312
March.....266	March.....264	July.....315	January....286
October.....251	December....255	November.....305	December...286
July.....249	October.....242	February.....279	April.....279
January.....246	January.....235	January.....253	October.....264
February.....218	November.....234	March.....252	March.....262
April.....218	April.....227	December.....237	November...253
November....212	February.....208	April.....234	May.....246
May.....184	May.....182	June.....224	February...227
June.....175	June.....169	May.....200	June.....210

PARENTAGE OF DECEDENTS.

The parentage of the decedents in the State of Rhode Island, in 1867, was as follows; the parentage being determined by the birth-place of the *father* of the decedent: American parentage, 1,739; foreign parentage, 1,150; total, 2,889. Eight towns:—West Greenwich, Jamestown, Middletown, New Shoreham, Tiverton, Foster, Charlestown, and Exeter, reported no decedents of foreign parentage, in 1866, and seven other towns: Barrington, Coventry, Little Compton, Gloucester, Scituate, Hopkinton, and Richmond, reported 4 or less. Five towns: Burrillville, Cranston, North Providence, Pawtucket, and Woonsocket reported more decedents of foreign than of American parentage, in 1867. The same towns, with Warren, Warwick, Cumberland, Smithfield, and Providence, reported more children born in 1867, of foreign than of American parentage.

The following shows the number and percentage of the decedents of American, and of foreign parentage, in Rhode Island, in each of the last four years, and also in the aggregate for nine years, from 1858 to 1866 inclusive;

PARENTAGE.	1867.		1866.		1865.		1864.		1858-1866.	
	No.	Per ct.	No.	Per ct.	No.	Per ct.	No.	Per ct.	No.	Per ct.
American...	1,739	60.19	1,765	59.4	2,002	58.9	2,030	61.3	15,458	60.7
Foreign.....	1,150	39.81	1,205	40.6	1,398	41.1	1,282	38.7	10,023	39.3
Not stated...	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	48	.....	550	.....
Totals.....	2,889	100.0	2,970	100.0	3,405	100.0	3,360	100.0	26,031	100.0

The percentage of decedents of foreign parentage was less in 1867 than in 1866, and only slightly greater than that of the aggregate for nine years.

AGE OF THE DECEDENTS.

The particulars in relation to the aggregate and average age of the decedents in 1866, in each town and division of the State, are given in the first table in this Report, and the number of decedents of each sex, in each division of ages, is shown, for each town in the State, in the seventh table, beginning on page 10.

From the first table we learn that the average age of all the males who died in Rhode Island, in 1867, was 32.16 years; the average age of all the female decedents was 35.86 years. The greatest average age in any town in the State was 64.43 years in Exeter; the least average age 21.61 years, in Woonsocket. In seven towns, the average age of the whole number of decedents was less than in the city of Providence.

The average age of the decedents in each division of the State, in each of the last six years, and also in the aggregate for five years, from 1858 to 1862 inclusive, was as follows :

	1862. Years.	1863. Years.	1864. Years.	1865. Years.	1866. Years.	1867. Years.	1858-62. Years.
Bristol County.....	39.78	34.76	34.28	25.43	39.88	39.54	35.56
Kent County.....	31.52	35.55	33.20	29.81	37.66	42.81	32.15
Newport County.....	38.99	28.67	34.49	33.85	36.29	35.39	35.01
Prov. Co., Towns.....	29.86	29.74	27.52	25.92	31.48	31.16	28.44
Providence City.....	28.10	27.28	25.83	26.11	30.57	32.72	25.78
Washington County.....	32.92	35.15	38.72	33.88	37.66	38.95	34.21
Whole State.....	31.15	29.56	29.40	27.69	33.09	34.01	29.42

In 1867, as in 1866, the average of the decedents, in every division of the State, was greater than in the aggregate for the five years, 1858 to 1862 inclusive. The average for the whole State, was greater in 1867 than in 1866, and considerably greater than in any previous year in the history of registration in the State. The average in the City of Providence, in 1867, was greater than in the towns of Providence county.

In the city of Providence, the City Registrar's reports, from year to year, show the difference in the average age of the decedents of Ameri-

can and of foreign parentage. The following table from the City Registrar's Report for the year 1867, shows the number of decedents according to parentage in the City of Providence, in each of the last twelve years, 1856 to 1867 inclusive, with the aggregate and average age in each year :

CITY OF PROVIDENCE, 1856 TO 1867.

AGGREGATE AND AVERAGE AGE, BY PARENTAGE.

YEARS.	American Parentage.			Foreign Parentage.			Total American and Foreign.		
	Deaths.	Aggregate. Years.	Average Years.	Deaths.	Aggregate. Years.	Average Years.	Deaths.	Aggregate. Years.	Average Years.
1856.....	541	14,554	26.90	524	8,258	15.75	1,065	22,812	21.42
1857.....	523	16,314	31.19	402	8,007	19.91	925	24,321	26.29
1858.....	512	15,910	31.07	505	8,478	16.78	1,017	24,388	23.98
1859.....	479	14,993	31.30	420	8,640	20.57	899	23,632	26.28
1860.....	512	16,660	32.54	489	9,751	19.94	1,001	26,411	26.38
1861.....	538	16,327	30.34	513	9,605	18.72	1,051	25,932	24.67
1862.....	460	14,589	31.71	454	10,994	24.21	914	25,585	28.00
1863.....	597	19,398	32.49	617	13,757	22.29	1,214	33,157	27.31
1864.....	649	21,732	33.48	632	11,365	17.98	1,281	33,097	25.83
1865.....	631	19,628	31.10	580	11,991	20.67	1,211	31,619	26.11
1866.....	513	18,906	36.85	523	12,762	24.40	1,036	31,668	30.57
1867.....	528	19,258	36.47	432	12,149	28.12	960	31,407	32.72
12 years total.	6,483	208,269	32.12	6,091	125,757	20.64	12,574	334,029	26.56

During the twelve years included in the preceding table, the greatest average age of the decedents of American parentage, in any year, was 36.85 years, in 1866; the least average was 26.90 years in 1856. Of the decedents of foreign parentage, the greatest average was 28.12 years, in 1867; the least average 15.75 years, in 1856.

The preceding table shows that there has been a marked increase

in the average age of the decedents in Providence, during the last twelve years. Thus dividing the twelve years into three periods of four years each, we find :

	American Parentage.	Foreign Parentage.	Total Am. and For.
1856-1859.—Average age.....	30.06 years.....	18.03 years.....	24.36 years.
1860-1863.—Average age.....	31.78 years.....	21.27 years.....	26.57 years.
1864-1867.—Average age.....	34.26 years.....	22.27 years.....	28.47 years.

PERCENTAGE OF DECEDENTS AT DIFFERENT AGES.

The following table, continued from previous reports, shows the percentage of decedents in Rhode Island, in each division of ages, in each of the last eight years, and also in the aggregate mortality for ten years and seven months, from June 1, 1852 to December 31, 1862, inclusive. The figures are for the whole State :

PERCENTAGES OF DECEDENTS AT DIFFERENT AGES.—RHODE ISLAND.

PERIODS OF LIFE.	1860.	1861.	1862.	1863.	1864.	1865.	1866.	1867.	10 yrs. 7 mos.
Under 1 year.....	19.2	19.6	17.8	14.8	16.1	16.3	16.2	17.8	17.6
1 and under 2.....	9.5	9.3	7.5	9.7	8.2	9.1	7.6	6.5	9.8
2 and under 5.....	8.4	8.8	8.2	11.1	12.1	10.6	6.6	4.9	9.6
Total under 5.....	37.1	37.7	33.5	35.6	36.4	36.0	30.4	29.2	37.0
5 and under 10....	4.2	4.6	4.5	6.0	6.9	7.3	4.2	3.3	5.0
10 and under 20....	5.8	5.9	6.2	6.4	6.3	7.7	6.0	5.7	5.8
20 and under 30....	9.1	8.5	9.4	8.6	8.3	9.0	10.0	11.8	9.5
30 and under 40....	7.6	9.0	9.5	8.6	7.2	8.5	8.8	9.0	8.7
40 and under 50....	7.7	7.9	7.6	7.0	6.5	5.9	8.6	7.5	7.5
50 and under 60....	6.8	6.4	7.1	6.6	6.6	6.2	7.8	7.8	6.7
60 and under 70....	7.5	7.2	7.6	7.7	7.1	6.9	9.1	9.6	6.9
70 and under 80....	8.5	6.7	8.1	8.1	7.6	7.0	9.0	9.1	7.3
80 and under 90....	4.5	4.7	5.1	4.2	5.7	4.6	4.9	5.7	4.6
90 and over.....	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4	0.9	1.2	1.3	1.0
Totals.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

In 1866, the percentage of decedents, under five years of age, was much less than in any previous year ; but in 1867, it was even less than in 1866. It will be noticed that in 1867, the percentage of decedents between 20 and 30 years of age, and also at all periods over 60 years, was very large, and very much larger than the average. The above figures include the city of Providence ; but in that city the percentage of decedents under five years, in 1867, was only 29.6, or but slightly greater than in the whole State including the

city. The percentage between 20 and 30 years of age, in the city, was 13.64, or 3.6 per cent greater than in the aggregate for twelve years previous.

In the Registrar's Reports of the city of Providence, the percentages are given, according to parentage, and it is found that the percentage of infantile mortality is very much greater among the foreign than among the American population. The following shows the percentages of decedents, under five years of age, according to parentage, in the city of Providence, in each of the last eight years :

	AMERICAN. Under 5 years.	FOREIGN. Under 5 years.	Total Am. and For. Under 5 years.
1860.....	32.81.....	48.87.....	40.66
1861.....	35.87.....	52.68.....	44.05
1862.....	31.08.....	42.07.....	36.54
1863.....	28.47.....	46.84.....	37.81
1864.....	28.81.....	51.11.....	39.82
1865.....	29.95.....	46.37.....	37.82
1866.....	23.78.....	40.53.....	32.24
1867.....	24.05.....	36.35.....	29.59

The percentage of decedents of American parentage, in 1867, was slightly greater than in 1866 ; but the percentage of decedents of foreign parentage, as well as of the total decedents was very much less in 1867, than in any previous year.

COLORED DECEDENTS.

The number of deaths among the colored population of Rhode Island, during the year 1867, was 105, or eighteen less than in the previous year. These deaths occurred in the different towns of the State as follows: Providence, 53; Newport, 16; Cranston, 10; Warren, 4; North Providence, Warwick, and Charlestown, 3 each; Johnston, Smithfield, and North Kingstown, 2 each; Barrington, Jamestown, Tiverton, East Providence, Westerly, Bristol, and South Kingstown, one each; total, 105.

According to *Sex*, there were 51 male, and 54 female decedents.

With respect to *Season*, the deaths were as follows: January, 6; February, 7; March, 9; April, 6; May, 6; June, 14; July, 6; August, 12; September, 10; October, 9; November, 10; December, 10; total, 105.

The average age of the colored decedents, in 1867, was as follows :

	Providence.	Rest of State.	Whole State.
Males.....	21.00 years.....	26.55 years.....	23.44 years.
Females...	25.12 years.....	38.24 years.....	32.17 years.

The number of births, marriages, and deaths among the colored population of Rhode Island, in the several divisions of the State, in 1867, as compared with the colored population by the census of 1865, was as follows :

COLORED POPULATION OF RHODE ISLAND.

COUNTIES.	Colored Population 1865.	Births Colored, 1867.	To population, one Birth in	Colored Marriages 1867.	Of population, one person married in	Deaths, Colored, 1867.	To population, one Death in
Bristol.....	210	6	35.0	....	....	6	35.0
Kent.....	257	15	17.1	4	32.1	3	85.6
Newport.....	805	24	33.5	9	44.7	18	44.7
Prov. Co. Towns	472	12	39.3	8	29.5	18	26.2
Providence City..	1,711	75	22.8	35	24.4	53	32.3
Washington....	632	12	52.6	5	63.2	7	90.3
Whole State....	4,087	144	28.4	61	33.5	105	38.9

It is evident that the distinction of color is not well noted in all the towns. By the census of 1865, there were 150 colored persons in Charlestown, and 279 in South Kingstown ; but in 1867, Charlestown does not report a single birth, or marriage, and only three deaths among the colored population, and South Kingstown only one death, three marriages, and seven births.

The following shows the number of births, marriages and deaths, among the colored population of Rhode Island, in each of the last seven years :

1861.....	97 births.....	30 marriages.....	109 deaths.
1862.....	96 births.....	23 marriages.....	90 deaths.
1863.....	73 births.....	68 marriages.....	104 deaths.
1864.....	69 births.....	35 marriages.....	121 deaths.
1865.....	87 births.....	51 marriages.....	129 deaths.
1866.....	124 births.....	65 marriages.....	123 deaths.
1867.....	144 births.....	61 marriages.....	105 deaths.
Seven years, totals	690 births.....	333 marriages.....	781 deaths.

CAUSES OF DEATH, 1867.

We have already seen that the whole number of deaths in Rhode Island, in 1867, was unusually small :—less than in any year since 1862. We have also given, in tables VIII, IX, and X, the sex, age, and parentage of the decedents from each cause of death, together with the number from each cause, in each month of the year, and the percentage of mortality from each cause, and from each class of causes, in each division of the State.

An examination of these tables shows that there was nothing of a specially remarkable character in the causes of death, during the year, 1867 ; but table X shows that there still exists a culpable negligence in the town clerks of some towns in ascertaining the causes of death.

The following table shows the whole number of deaths, reported in 1867, in each division of the State, and the number and proportion of the deaths in each division, for which no cause was stated :

	Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport County.	Providence County. Towns.	Providence City.	Washingt'n County.	Whole State.
Number of deaths	144	231	311	1,042	960	201	2,889
Cause not stated.....	....	17	9	140	15	14	195
One in.....	....	13.6	34.5	7.4	64.0	14.3	14.8

The proportion of deaths for which no cause is stated, is very large in some of the towns of Providence, Kent, and Washington counties. In Providence county, in particular, a few of the town clerks show no interest whatever in the subject, and fail entirely in their duty.

The following table, continued from previous reports, gives the thirteen principal causes of death, in the State of Rhode Island, with the number reported from each cause, in each of the last three years, and also in the aggregate for ten years and seven months, from June 1, 1852, to December 31, 1862, inclusive :

1867.	1866.	1865.	June 1, 1852, to Dec. 31, 1862, 10 years, 7 mos.
Whole No. Deaths. 2,889	Whole No. Deaths. 2,970	Whole No. Deaths. 3,405	Whole No. Deaths 22,928
Consumption.....559	Consumption.....523	Consumption.....547	Consumption.....4,156
Old Age.....188	Pneumonia.....193	Scarlatina.....255	Pneumonia.....1,146
Pneumonia.....172	Old Age.....178	Fever, Typhoid & us. 229	Scarlatina.....1,088
Fever, Typhoid, &c. 131	Fever, Typhoid, & us. 150	Dysentery.....188	Old Age.....1,052
Apoplexy & Paralysis 124	Dysentery.....148	Old Age.....152	Cholera Infantum... 925
Dysentery.....118	Heart, Diseases of... 115	Cholera Infantum... 145	Dysentery..... 768
Cholera Infantum... 117	Cholera Infantum... 110	Pneumonia.....145	Accidents..... 722
Heart, Diseases of... 114	Accidents.....103	Apoplexy & Paral'sis 100	Heart, Diseases of... 651
Accidents, (all kinds) 97	Apoplexy & Paralysis 92	Heart, Diseases of... 98	Apoplexy & Paral'sis 645
Convulsions & Fits.. 75	Convulsions and Fits. 85	Croup..... 94	Fever..... 620
Debility..... 75	Debility..... 70	Accidents..... 88	Croup..... 578
Cancer, (all kinds)... 68	Diphtheria..... 64	Diphtheria..... 82	Convulsions..... 575
Brain, Inflamm. of.... 52	Cancer, (all kinds)... 64	Diarrhea..... 76	Hydrocephalus..... 544

The preceding list of the principal causes of death, for the year 1867, presents some remarkable characteristics. It is remarkable to see Old Age stand second on the list, and it is still more remarkable to note the absence from the list of scarlatina, diphtheria, and croup, which are present nearly every year. There were only fourteen deaths reported from scarlatina, in the whole State, during the year, 1867, a number we think unprecedentedly small in the history of registration in the State. Of the 14 deaths from scarlatina, 10 were in the city of Providence.

In this connection it may be useful to recapitulate, and show the facts relating to scarlatina for a series of years. The following table shows the number of deaths from scarlatina, in each division of the State, in each of the thirteen years from 1855 to 1867 inclusive ; and also the whole number of deaths for the whole thirteen years, in each division of the State :

SCARLATINA IN RHODE ISLAND, 1855-1867.

YEARS.	Bristol County.	Kent County.	Newport County.	Providence Co. Towns.	Providence City.	Washington County.	Whole State.
1855.....	22	....	1	6	42	....	71
1856.....	3	1	3	57	144	....	208
1857.....	....	20	47	47	32	1	147
1858.....	5	11	75	61	72	10	234
1859.....	5	2	4	14	45	1	71
1860.....	4	3	7	17	17	16	64
1861.....	2	2	7	9	28	9	57
1862.....	3	4	3	19	14	4	47
1863.....	1	....	23	24	38	10	91
1864.....	1	19	19	80	141	6	266
1865.....	33	17	3	86	108	8	255
1866.....	5	....	8	12	3	....	28
1867.....	1	....	1	2	10	....	14
13 years Scarlatina....	85	79	201	434	689	65	1,553
Total deaths 13 years.....	1,965	2,877	4,325	10,068	13,557	2,341	35,133

An examination of the preceding tables shows that in all sections of the State, scarlatina has its periods of rise and declension. Thus in Bristol county it was quite prevalent in 1855 and 1865; in Kent county, in 1857 and 1863; in Providence county, including the city, it was very prevalent, in 1856, 1858, 1864 and 1865, and we may add in 1868 and 1869. On the whole it would seem that scarlatina has been more fatal, in proportion to the whole number of deaths, in the city of Providence than in the country portions of the State. The proportion of deaths from scarlatina to the whole number of deaths for the whole period of thirteen years was as follows:

Bristol County.....	one in 23.1
Kent County.....	one in 36.4
Newport County.....	one in 21.5
Providence County, Towns.....	one in 23.2
Providence City.....	one in 19.6
Washington County.....	one in 36.0
Whole State.....	one in 22.6

It is probable that the more full and accurate returns of deaths in the city of Providence, than in other portions of the State, particularly during the earlier years of the period named, may affect and considerably modify the proportion of deaths from scarlatina.

The following table, similar to those given in previous reports, shows the sex, parentage, and ages of the decedents, with the season and locality of their deaths, in connection with sixteen of the most important causes of death, in Rhode Island, in 1867 :

DEATHS IN RHODE ISLAND, 1867.

Sixteen principal causes.

	Accidents.	Apoplexy and Paralysis.	Cholera Infantum.	Cancer.	Consumption	Group.	Diarrhoea.	Diphtheria.	Dysentery.	Fever Ty- phoid, and Typhus.	Heart, Diseases of.	Whooping Cough.	Measles.	Old Age.	Pneumonia and Conges- tion of Lungs.	Scarlatina.
Whole number of Deaths..	97	124	117	58	559	50	39	31	118	131	114	12	12	193	172	14
Sex { Males.....	74	59	64	14	264	25	23	14	56	65	67	7	2	86	68	6
{ Females.....	23	65	53	44	295	25	16	17	62	66	47	5	10	107	104	8
PAR. AGE. { American.....	52	101	62	45	326	21	18	19	62	92	81	6	2	145	103	10
{ Foreign.....	45	23	55	13	233	29	21	12	56	39	33	6	10	48	69	4
SEASON. { January.....	8	7	..	4	44	9	1	8	2	8	9	3	2	24	28	2
{ February.....	7	7	..	3	52	8	1	1	1	6	9	2	..	19	23	2
{ March.....	4	7	1	7	60	6	3	3	..	9	10	..	..	26	24	..
{ April.....	8	15	1	6	43	2	1	2	3	7	10	2	..	16	29	..
{ May.....	8	12	4	4	31	2	2	1	1	5	12	..	..	11	11	1
{ June.....	7	12	3	2	43	3	..	1	1	2	12	..	..	13	6	1
{ July.....	11	13	26	3	44	4	4	5	16	10	11	..	..	13	10	..
{ August.....	7	6	40	5	40	2	13	2	30	12	10	1	1	14	3	1
{ September.....	7	9	29	3	50	2	8	3	42	20	5	1	2	14	7	..
{ October.....	11	13	12	9	43	3	1	3	16	20	9	1	2	13	6	2
{ November.....	11	8	..	5	54	3	2	1	3	20	11	1	3	12	11	1
{ December.....	8	15	1	7	55	6	3	1	3	12	6	1	2	18	14	4

DEATHS IN 1867.—CONTINUED.

Sixteen principal causes.

	Accidents.	Apoplexy and Paralysis.	Cholera Infantum.	Cancer.	Consumption	Croup.	Diphtheria.	Dysentery.	Fever, Typhoid, and Typhus.	Heart, Diseases of.	Whooping Cough.	Menses.	Old Age.	Pneumonia and Congestion of Lungs.	Scarlatina.
Whole number of Deaths..	97	124	117	58	559	50	39	31	118	131	114	12	193	172	14
Under 5 years.....	18	..	117	..	22	46	22	16	69	10	3	8	..	57	8
5 and under 10.....	9	1	..	..	4	4	1	8	7	12	3	2	..	9	4
10 " 15.....	7	..	..	..	7	..	1	1	3	6	2	..	..	2	1
15 " 20.....	11	1	..	..	36	..	3	..	..	23	3	1	..	3	..
20 " 30.....	9	..	..	1	182	..	1	2	3	33	11	..	..	10	..
30 " 40.....	19	6	..	6	103	..	2	2	4	14	10	..	..	11	1
40 " 50.....	7	6	..	6	77	..	2	..	3	12	13	..	..	13	..
50 " 60.....	4	15	..	15	53	..	3	2	5	10	22	..	..	16	..
60 " 70.....	4	38	..	14	47	..	3	..	10	5	16	..	7	25	..
70 " 80.....	3	40	..	12	19	..	1	..	12	3	27	1	59	13	..
80 and over.....	3	17	..	4	6	..	..	..	2	2	4	..	127	12	..
Not stated.....	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
Bristol County.....	5	9	4	5	168	3	1	4	7	9	4	..	18	8	1
Kent County.....	7	9	3	3	56	1	3	4	6	14	9	..	23	12	..
Newport County.....	11	13	7	10	47	7	3	5	25	19	7	1	30	12	1
Towns Providence Co.	34	35	45	19	210	20	14	9	35	51	37	11	57	56	2
Providence City.....	32	49	49	18	189	19	15	5	43	33	49	..	48	68	10
Washington County....	8	9	9	3	39	..	3	4	2	5	8	..	17	16	..

The preceding table contains many important facts, and furnishes many topics for thought and reflection to those who are accustomed to give thought to such subjects. But the table for a single year has little value as positive proof upon any particular point, and any one accustomed to judge correctly of the value of statistics would not use it as proof. After, however, the table has been continued for a series of years, the recapitulation of the facts becomes most valuable, and furnishes proof on points of the greatest interest; and each year's additions to the facts will then give it a constantly increasing value.

We may refer, briefly, to some points in the preceding table, which though obvious to any one who examines it, will serve to show the character of some of the points upon which the accumulation of facts will furnish important proof. Thus, under the head of *accidents*, we notice the large excess of males among the decedents, the reason for which is obvious. It is probable, that a larger collection of facts in relation to accidents, would show an excess in the number in certain months of the year.

Under the head of *apoplexy and paralysis*, we notice the very great excess of decedents of American parentage (Why?); the excess in certain months of the year; and at certain ages.

Under *cholera infantum*, there is apparently an excess of male decedents; the deaths are almost wholly confined to three months of the year; and the proportion in Providence city and county is much greater than in the rest of the State.

Of the decedents from *cancer*, almost exactly *three-fourths* are females, and three-fourths are of American parentage (Why?). All the decedents from this cause were over twenty years of age, and the deaths were pretty uniformly divided among the several months of the year.

Among the decedents from *consumption* there is an excess of females; more than half the whole number are between twenty and forty years of age, and the number of deaths seems to be very little influenced by season.

Of the decedents from *fevers, diseases of the heart, old age and pneumonia* there is a large excess of American parentage, and of those from old age there is usually, and of those from pneumonia, there was in 1867, a large excess of females.

But it is not necessary to continue these remarks farther. These examples are sufficient to indicate some of the points upon which the accumulation of facts, as given in the last table, may be of interest and value.

CONSUMPTION.

It was our intention, in this report, to give very full statistics relating to the mortality from consumption in Rhode Island; but it has been impossible to carry out our intentions in this respect. It must be again deferred.

This disease is after all the most important of the causes of death in this State. It seems to be uninfluenced by season, or by any epidemic tendencies; but constantly goes forward in its work of death, and destroys considerably more than any other cause of death in our community. Its victims too, or at least a large majority of them, are in the prime of life; cut down after all the dangers of childhood are passed, and when the prospects and promises of life are the most cheering.

We can at this time, only present one table to illustrate the difference, if there be any, in the proportion of mortality from consumption, in the several divisions of the State.

The following table shows the total deaths *from all known causes*, with the number and the percentage from consumption, in the several divisions of the State, in each of the last eight years, from 1860 to 1867 inclusive:

CONSUMPTION.—NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE.

COUNTIES.	1860.	1861.	1862.	1863.	1864.	1865.	1866.	1867.	8 years.
BRISTOL COUNTY.									
Total Deaths.....	146	161	119	109	168	190	162	144	1,199
Consumption.....	23	25	17	17	20	20	31	18	171
Percentage.....	15.75	15.53	14.29	15.59	11.90	10.52	19.13	12.50	14.26
KENT COUNTY.									
Total Deaths.....	202	272	235	205	255	238	198	214	1,819
Consumption.....	41	52	51	46	46	41	41	56	374
Percentage.....	20.29	19.12	21.70	22.43	18.04	17.22	20.70	26.17	20.56
NEWPORT CO.									
Total Deaths.....	279	344	274	491	372	336	342	302	2,740
Consumption.....	50	74	41	57	48	51	52	47	420
Percentage.....	17.92	21.51	14.97	11.60	12.90	15.15	15.18	15.56	15.33
TOWNS, PROV. CO.									
Total Deaths.....	690	688	702	807	870	990	883	902	6,532
Consumption.....	138	148	174	162	146	190	171	210	1,339
Percentage.....	20.00	21.51	24.78	20.07	16.78	19.19	19.36	23.28	20.49
PROVIDENCE CITY.									
Total Deaths.....	958	1,013	884	1,188	1,253	1,189	1,013	945	8,443
Consumption.....	217	184	191	208	197	191	200	189	1,577
Percentage.....	22.65	18.16	21.60	17.50	15.72	16.06	19.74	20.00	18.68
WASHINGTON CO.									
Total Deaths.....	223	247	189	190	233	255	201	187	1,725
Consumption.....	34	40	36	20	41	54	28	39	292
Percentage.....	15.24	16.20	19.05	10.52	17.51	21.16	13.93	20.86	16.92
WHOLE STATE.									
Total Deaths.....	2,498	2,725	2,403	2,990	3,151	3,198	2,799	2,694	22,458
Consumption.....	503	523	510	510	498	547	523	559	4,173
Percentage.....	20.14	19.19	21.22	17.05	15.81	16.95	18.68	20.74	18.53

An examination of the preceding table shows that there are remarkable differences in the percentage of deaths from consumption, in different years and in different portions of the State. If we may take the figures of the table as a correct statement of the facts, these facts are most interesting and instructive. Let us then consider how far the facts contained in the table are probably true.

So far as the deaths from consumption are concerned, defective registration tends to make the percentage from this disease greater than the truth. This is evident from two reasons: *First*. The decedents from consumption are mostly grown persons, and therefore less apt to be omitted in registration than children. *Second*. Where there is a neglect to obtain physicians' certificates of the causes of death, there is a constant tendency to attribute deaths to consumption which are really from some other cause, and thus increase the percentage from consumption.

We may assume then, that if there are any errors in the preceding table, they probably make the percentage from consumption greater than the truth. Looking at the table, we may assume that in the city of Providence the percentage given is nearly correct, as the deaths are all reported, and much care is taken to obtain the physicians' certificates of the causes of death. In the county divisions of the State as given in the table, it is probable that the percentage of consumption is greater than the truth, and especially in Kent, and Washington counties, and in the towns of Providence county.

We find then, notwithstanding the increase in the percentages above the truth, that there is a marked difference in different portions of the State, and that in some counties the percentage is decidedly less than in Providence city. Thus in the aggregate for eight years, the percentage in Bristol county is only 14.26; in Newport county, 15.33; and in Washington county, 16.92; while in Providence city it was 18.68. It would seem to be true, and I think it is true, that there is less consumption in proportion to the population in the insular towns of Bristol, and Newport counties, and in the shore towns of Washington county, than in Providence city, or in the inland towns of Providence county.

In Massachusetts, I think the reports show that there is an excess of consumption in the sea coast counties over the inland portions of the State. But it is well known that the easterly winds on the Massachusetts coast have a chilliness and roughness that are unknown on

the shores of Narragansett Bay. It is supposed that the temperature in the southern portions of Narragansett Bay, is modified and rendered milder by the currents of the Gulf stream. However this may be, or whatever may be the reason, we think the records show that the very damp climate of Bristol and Newport counties is less favorable to the production of consumption than the drier atmosphere of the hilly towns of Providence county.

But it is not necessary to continue this subject at this time. The table furnishes many facts of great interest which will repay examination and investigation. Looking at the character of the population, the average percentage of 14.26 from consumption in Bristol county, and of 15.33 in Newport county is remarkably small. We have already noticed two causes which would tend to increase the percentage from consumption; namely, imperfect returns of deaths from other causes, and the fact that the victims of consumption are mostly grown persons.

There is one cause which would tend to make the percentage of deaths from consumption small, if the returns are complete. It is the character of the population. Thus, for example, in New York city, the returns of deaths are complete; but there is a great proportion of children in the population, and the mortality of children is very large. These die mostly from summer complaints, scarlatina and other children's diseases, and very few of them from consumption. It is evident that if the percentage of infantile mortality, and of deaths from zymotic diseases is very large, the percentage from consumption must be proportionally small. Thus we find that the percentage of mortality from consumption in New York city is quite small, and we think from the reason just stated.

But none of these causes operate in Bristol and Newport counties to reduce the percentage from consumption; the percentage of infantile mortality and of deaths from zymotic diseases there, is small compared with New York, and there is a large proportion of the population of an age liable to consumption; and yet, the percentage of mortality from consumption is small. It would seem then, that the climate of Bristol and Newport counties is favorable to the prevention of consumption.

Always remembering, however, the danger of drawing conclusions from insufficient data, we would commend the subject to the attention of those who may prepare these reports in future, for further investigation and decision.

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APPENDIX.

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THE REGISTRATION LAW OF RHODE ISLAND.

REVISED STATUTES, CHAPTER 76, PAGE 189.

SECTION 1. The town clerks of the several towns, or in lieu thereof, any person whom the board of aldermen of any city, or the town council of any town, may, upon the written recommendation of an authorized committee of the Rhode Island Medical Society, appoint for that purpose, are hereby authorized and required to obtain chronologically record and index, as required by the forms prescribed by the third section of this chapter, all information concerning births, marriages and deaths occurring among the inhabitants of their respective towns; and on or before the first Monday of March, annually, to make duly certified returns thereof to the Secretary of State, for each year, ending on the thirty-first day of December, accompanying the same with a list of those individuals required by law to make returns to them, who have neglected the same, and with such remarks relating to the object of the law as they may deem important to communicate.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to receive the returns made in pursuance of the preceding section, and annually, with such assistance as shall be rendered by any authorized committee of the Rhode Island Medical Society, to make and publish, not exceeding one thousand copies, a general abstract and report thereof, in form as prescribed by section third of this chapter. He shall also cause said returns to be arranged, full alphabetical indexes of all the names to be made, the whole to be bound in convenient sized volumes, and carefully preserved in his office, for which he shall receive the sum of fifty dollars.

SEC. 3. The blank forms required to carry out the provisions of this chapter, shall, on application, be furnished by the Secretary of State, to clergymen, physicians, undertakers, town clerks, clerks of the Society of Friends, and other persons requiring them, substantially after the following forms, viz.: The record of a *birth*, shall state the date and place of birth, name and sex of the child, whether living or still-born, the name and surname, color, occupation, residence and birthplace of the parents, and the time of recording, so far as the same can be ascertained. The record of a *marriage* shall state the date of the marriage, place, name, residence and official station of the person by whom married, names and surnames of the parties, age, color, occupation, and residence of each, condition, (whether single or widowed,) what marriage, if second, third, or other marriage, the occupation, birthplace and names of their parents, and the time of recording, so far as the same can be ascertained. The record of *deaths* shall state the date of death, name and surname of deceased, the sex, color, and condition, (single or married,) age, occupation, place of death, place of birth, names and birthplace of parents, disease or cause of death, and the time of recording so far as can be ascertained.

OF MARRIAGES.

SEC. 4. Every Society of Friends, clergymen, and all others, authorized to join persons in marriage, shall make a faithful record of every such rite performed by them, in manner and form aforesaid, and return the same on or before the second Monday of every month, for the last preceding month, to the clerk of the town in which such rite shall have been performed; and no marriage shall be solemnized, until the parties shall have signed and delivered to the authority about to solemnize it, or to the clerk of a Society of Friends, a certificate containing the information required for the record of a marriage, as prescribed in the third section of this chapter.

OF BIRTHS.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the clerk of each of the towns, annually, in the month of January, to collect the facts required by section third of this chapter, in relation to all children born in the town during the year ending the thirty-first day of December next preceding; and for each full report of a birth so obtained, the clerk shall receive ten cents, to be paid by the town in which the birth is recorded.

OF DEATHS.

SEC. 6. Whenever any person shall die in the State, it shall be the duty of the physician attending in his or her last sickness, within forty-eight hours after the death, to leave with the family, if any, or persons having the care of the deceased, or to give to the undertaker or person who conducts the funeral, a certificate stating the name of the deceased, the date of the death, and the disease or cause of death.

OF UNDERTAKERS.

SEC. 7. There may be appointed by the town authorities of every town, a sufficient number of persons to act as undertakers, removable at the pleasure of the authorities.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of the undertaker, or of a person who conducts a funeral, or who buries, or deposits in a tomb, the body of any deceased person, to obtain the facts required by section third of this chapter, in relation to deaths, concerning such deceased person, together with the physician's certificate of the cause of the death, if a physician was in attendance, and on or before the second Monday of the next succeeding month to make a return of the facts obtained, together with the physician's certificate, to the clerk of the town in which the death occurred.

SEC. 9. Any town may enact municipal laws, more effectually to attain the objects herein contemplated: *Provided*, they do not conflict with the main and specific object of this act, viz.: to secure the most perfect registration.

OF FEES.

SEC. 10. The town clerks or persons recommended and appointed as aforesaid, shall receive for each record of a birth or death, made and returned as required by law, ten cents; and for each record of a marriage, made and returned as required by law, twenty cents; to be paid to them out of their respective town treasuries: *Provided*, that the yearly compensation to be paid out of the town treasury as aforesaid, to any one town clerk or person appointed as aforesaid, who shall faithfully perform the duties prescribed by this chapter, shall not be less than five dollars.

Undertakers and others making returns of deaths as required in section eight of this chapter, shall receive for each full report of a death made to a town clerk, five cents in the cities of Providence or Newport, and ten cents in the other towns of the State.

SEC. 11. If any clergyman, physician, undertaker, town clerk, clerk of any meeting of the Society of Friends, or other persons shall wilfully neglect or refuse to perform any of the duties imposed on, or required of him, by this chapter, he shall at the discretion of the court or justice trying the cause, on conviction thereof, be fined not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence, one half thereof to the use of the town in which the offence shall occur, the other half to the use of the person who shall complain of the same.

SEC. 12. In order that it may be more surely ascertained that no clergyman, physician, coroner, undertaker, or clerk of the Society of Friends, neglects to make the returns specified in this chapter, each one shall cause his name and residence to be recorded in the clerk's office of the town where he resides.

SEC. 13. No letters of administration or letters testamentary, shall be granted by any court of probate upon the effects or estate of any person until the death of such person, or the facts from which the same is presumed, shall be duly certified as near as may be, to the town clerk, in order that the same may be duly registered according to the provisions of this chapter.

SEC. 14. The said books or registers, or a certificate duly certified by the town clerk, or person appointed as aforesaid, as containing a full copy of the record of any marriage, birth or death, shall hereafter be admitted in any court in this State, as *prima facie* proof of any marriage, birth or death.

SEC. 15. Births, marriages, and deaths of non-residents shall be distinguished from those of residents, in the returns, by being arranged separately.

SEC. 16. The Secretary of State may, from time to time, vary the form of returns, and require such additional information as he may consider necessary to effect the object of this chapter.

SEC. 17. The sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, annually, to be drawn for by the Secretary of State, is appropriated out of the general treasury, to defray the expense incident to examining, collecting and arranging the registration returns, making the necessary tables and drawing up the report required by the second section of this chapter.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 76, OF THE REVISED STATUTES, "OF THE REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES." *Passed February 28, 1868.*

It is enacted by the General Assembly, as follows:

SECTION 1. The town clerks or other officers appointed under the act of which this is in amendment, to collect, record and return the births in the several towns, shall receive fees therefor in the manner therein provided, as follows: For collecting the facts required in relation to births, fifteen cents each. For making record and return of these facts as required by law, twenty cents each for the first fifty entries in each calendar year, and ten cents for each subsequent entry and return.

SEC. 2. So much of the act of which this is an amendment, inconsistent herewith, is hereby repealed.



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